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## News from the Organizations

Matter for this page should be sent to the Secretary, United Farmers of Alberta, Calgary; Secretary, Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association, Regina; Secretary, United Farmers of Manitoba, Winnipeg.

### Alberta

#### Good Prospects at Rochfort Bridge

Rochfort Bridge U.F.A. local enjoyed a chicken supper, provided by the women members, at their annual meeting. About 60 persons attended, and the secretary, R. H. Hancox, states that prospects are good for a strong local this year. M. C. McKeen, M.L.A., gave a brief talk on the value of organization.

#### Camrose U.F.W.A. Active

During the past year Camrose U.F.W.A. local held a box social, a social evening, a food sale, and a rag ball social. They also co-operated with the U.F.A. local in putting on a big community picnic.

#### Willow Hollow U.F.W.A. Raises Funds

A box social in November made \$61 for the Willow Hollow U.F.W.A. local, and a sale of fancy work and candy netted \$53 for the local funds.

#### New Locals

T. A. Cox, organizer in charge of the first meeting of Poplar Hill U.F.A. local, was elected its secretary, and Fred Thomson, its president. The new local is in the Viking district.

The Milo local, organized recently, elected as officers V. J. Bertrand and Jack Deitz.

#### Building New Hall

Shoal Creek U.F.A. local expect to begin work very shortly on the construction of their new hall. The ground has been cleared and the lumber hauled.

#### Funds for Delegate's Expenses

Verdant Valley U.F.A. local recently held a box social, for the purpose of raising funds for delegate's expenses to the annual convention. The auctioning of the boxes was preceded by a short program, and followed by a dance. Receipts amounted to \$82.

#### Long Service of Vegreville Secretary

T. Balaam, secretary of Vegreville local, has the record of having held that office for 20 years, and having never missed a meeting during that time.

#### Most Successful Year

That 1925 was the most successful year in the history of the Edgerton Co-operative Association, was the statement of the president, E. Herbert Spencer, at the annual meeting recently. The financial report showed a profit of \$985, on a total business of \$39,307, after payment of all expenses and dividends. Officers for 1926 are: E. Herbert Spencer, president; H. Woodruff, secretary; manager, T. Swindlehurst; committee, W. F. Redmond, Walter Kerr, Roy Taylor, Oscar Walrath, P. H. Bevington.

#### Acadia Local Puts on Play

Acadia U.F.A. local put on a play, When Smith Steps Out, in the Acadia Community Hall recently. There was a good attendance and the entertainment was greatly enjoyed. This local, recently reorganized, intend to hold a number of social gatherings during the winter, with the intention of promoting the social welfare of the community and increasing interest in the local.

#### Officers, Olds Constituency Association

James E. MacDonald was elected president of the Olds Provincial Constituency Association of the U.F.A., at their annual convention, while James Boyd was chosen vice-president and W. H. Hopping, secretary. Reports were received from the various locals as to their condition and the work they had accomplished, and the delegates heard an address from N. S. Smith, M.L.A., for the constituency.

### Manitoba

#### U.F.M. Notes

Bagot U.F.M. and U.F.W.M. are holding their anniversary on February 17, and are arranging a very interesting program for this occasion. The chief speaker of the evening will be A. J. M. Poole, provincial president U.F.M. The women in this local are planning shortly to discuss the resolutions presented at the annual convention of the U.F.W.M. These will be sent out to all locals from the Central office.

A very interesting function had been planned by the directors of the Kelwood U.F.M. On Friday, February 12, they are arranging a banquet in honor of the provincial U.F.M. president, A. J. M. Poole, who is a member of their community. Outside speakers are being invited for the occasion and a jolly evening of fun and spicy speeches is being planned.

A large number of locals are continuing to take advantage of the University Extension Service, and are securing illustrated lectures from university professors to be given at central points. Four series have been arranged for the month of March, a group of five in the Souris constituency, three in Marquette, five in Neepawa and three in Selkirk U.F.M. constituency.

The U.F.M. and U.F.W.M. locals surrounding Dauphin never fail to lend a helping hand when relief work is necessary. Recently, two homes in one community were completely destroyed by fire, nothing being saved except the clothing worn by the family at the time. The locals are now busy endeavoring to raise money and collecting fruit, vegetables, clothing, etc., to assist these families. A contribution of \$10 has already been donated by the Wicklow U.F.W.M.

A series of meetings has been arranged in the Portage la Prairie constituency by the U.F.M. district board, the chief speaker of the series being A. J. M. Poole, U.F.M. president. The program planned is as follows: February 15, Moore Park; February 16, Beaver; February 17, Bagot; February 18, Macdonald and Burnside; and February 19, Edwin. A number of local and district workers have spent considerable time making these arrangements. Good crowds are therefore expected at each meeting and an enjoyable get-together function is planned at the close of the addresses.

A very interesting evening was spent at Ingelow last Wednesday, in the form of two debates between Douglas and Ingelow U.F.M. locals. The first debate was on the following: "Resolved that a farmer's wife has more opportunities to enjoy life than has the farmer." Mrs. Hilliar and Miss A. Mitchell (Douglas U.F.M.), supported the affirmative, and Mrs. A. Fraser and Miss G. Rankin (Ingelow U.F.M.), the negative, the judges deciding in favor of the affirmative. The second debate was between E. Taylor and C. Kookey, of Ingelow U.F.M., who upheld the affirmative, and D. McKeand and I. Martinson, of Douglas local, who took the negative of the following debate: "Resolved that Western Canada, including western Ontario, east to Port Arthur, has been a greater asset to the Dominion than Eastern Canada." The decision was given in favor of the negative. Several violin selections by C. McGillivray, of Austin, were highly enjoyed.

The Valley River U.F.M. reports reorganization with 23 paid-up members, and the following officers elected for the ensuing year; President, A. Spencer; vice-president, Geo. Wait; secretary, B. F. Boughen. Regular meetings are planned for the winter months and a good time anticipated by all.

The financial statement submitted  
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### International Loan Report

Steady progress is indicated in the annual statement of the International Loan Company of Winnipeg. Since last year the paid-up capital of the company has been increased to \$606,000, which is an advance of \$55,000. The surplus reserve and undivided profit stands at \$82,000 of which \$34,000 is in actual liquid cash. The company has over \$605,000 invested in first mortgage and clear title agreements and has reduced its holdings of clear title real estate during the past year. The company has no liabilities to the public. Dr. G. W. Argue, the managing director, who has travelled widely through Manitoba and Saskatchewan during the past season, reports an optimistic feeling, and says that collections in the prairie provinces have been the best since 1920.

## Our Ottawa Letter

*Dull week in House—Customs scandal to be probed—House to adjourn till March 15—By H. E. M. Chisholm*

OTTAWA, Ont., February 5.—The session of parliament which opened on January 7, and which was called primarily for the purpose of deciding which party had the right or the responsibility of carrying on government, is now in its fifth week. Although by the somewhat narrow majority of three, the Liberal party was granted that mandate during the first week of the session, the official Conservative opposition has continued to challenge the right of the King government to function, and has engaged in frankly obstructionist tactics ever since the first division was taken. At the present time of writing the situation is pregnant with all sorts of possibilities. Conservative members have apparently determined to hold up the business of the House, to prevent the government from securing any recess for cabinet reconstructing purposes, and, in short, to force either the resignation of the ministry or a dissolution of parliament.

On Saturday last the government gave notice of a motion to adjourn the House until March 15. This motion was given precedence over the debate on the address on Tuesday, and was bitterly opposed by Conservative members, prominent among whom were Hon. R. B. Bennett, Hon. Hugh Guthrie and others. A motion to adjourn the debate fairly early in the evening was defeated by a majority of 10, the government securing the support of every Progressive and Labor member present. Thereupon Hon. H. H. Stevens, Centre Vancouver, moved an amendment to the motion to adjourn the House, providing that in view of certain alleged irregularities in connection with the administration of the customs department, a committee of the Commons should be appointed with full powers to investigate, and that there should be no adjournment of the House until such enquiry had been carried out.

#### Customs Scandal

Mr. Stevens charged that under the King administration, smuggling had been perpetrated on a wholesale scale, and that the country had lost millions of dollars of revenue by reason thereof. The debate on Mr. Stevens' motion continued until the early hours of the morning, and shortly before four o'clock another Conservative member moved the adjournment of the discussion. This motion was also opposed by the government, but on the division which followed, five members, including Messrs. Lucas, of Camrose; Boutilier, of Vegreville; Campbell, of McKenzie; Fancher, of Last Mountain, and Carmichael, of Kindersley, changed their previous votes and backed the motion for adjournment. These are the same five who voted for the original lack of confidence motion proposed by Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, at the commencement of the session. It may be simply a coincidence which brought them together again on this occasion. They claim that their chief object in the recent occasion was simply to get to bed before the dawning of the day. In any case the government having secured

their majority of one, decided to adjourn the House. The incident illustrates the uncertainty of the present situation.

Conservatives here profess that they are not responsible in any way for the candidature of Captain Burgess against Premier King, in Prince Albert. Following the declaration of Mr. Meighen to the effect that with respect to the Hudson Bay Railway he would be willing to spend only a million or so of dollars in proving the feasibility of the route, it was obviously impossible for a straight Meighen candidate to run in Prince Albert with any hope of success. It is, however, a somewhat significant fact that Captain Burgess was appointed a homestead inspector under the Conservative party in 1915, and appointed to the Soldiers' Settlement Board by the same party in 1920. There isn't a doubt in the world that even if Captain Burgess claims himself to be an independent, his candidature has a tacit sanction of the Conservative party and the Conservative organization. His entry into the field will simply delay the return of Premier King to parliament for a period of at least a month.

In fact Conservative tactics both inside and outside of the House indicate a determination on their part to force the King government out of power, though they themselves have no preconceived idea of how they can carry on the affairs of the country if they succeed in ejecting the present ministry.

#### A Working Agreement

Apart from the break in the vote which occurred in the early hours of Wednesday morning, there is every evidence that a fairly strong working agreement has been reached between Liberals, Progressives and Laborites, and every indication that in future the government can rely upon the solid support of the independent members so long as it carries out its present program of legislation. Hon. George Boivin, minister of customs, dealt frankly with the charges of irregularities in connection with the department advanced by Hon. H. H. Stevens, admitted that goods were being smuggled into Canada, and always would be so long as there was a tariff, but declared, that the government was putting forth its best efforts to reduce smuggling to a minimum. He generously offered to meet the leader of the official opposition, to confer with him, and to arrange for the appointment of a committee whose scope of investigation would be as wide as the right honorable member might desire. As a consequence of his offer and of the conference which followed it, the following committee consisting of four Conservatives, four Liberals, and one Progressive, has been appointed: Dugald Donaghy, of North Vancouver; Paul Mercier, of St. Henri, Montreal; E. C. St. Pere, of Hochelaga, Montreal; and J. C. Elliott, of West Middlesex (Liberals); Hon. R. B. Bennett, of Calgary; C. W. Bell, of Hamilton West; Hon. H. H. Stevens, Centre Vancouver; A. J. Doucet, of Kent, N.B. (Conservatives); and Donald Kennedy, of



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Cash in Banks, Current Account	12,206.72	Reserve for 1925 Income Tax, Payable April 30, 1926	\$ 1,509.94
Cash in Banks, Savings Account	20,000.00	Capital—	
Total Cash on Hand and in Bank	\$ 34,046.28	Capital Paid Up	606,314.65
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### No Time Limit

The resolution proposed by Mr. Boivin, and agreed to by the House, was as follows:

"That a special committee of this House, consisting of nine members, be appointed forthwith to investigate the administration of the department of customs and excise and alleged serious losses to the public treasury because of inefficiency or corruption on the part of officers of the department and others, and that such investigation extend back over such period of time as the committee may decide, and have regard to all matters affecting the prevention of smuggling, the prosecution of offenders, the seizure, storage and disposal of smuggled goods, or goods seized for purposes of excise or other taxes, the appraisal of goods for revenue purposes, the collection of customs and excise duties, the knowledge of ministers or officials of offences or irregularities affecting the public service in said department, the efficiency of the administration thereof, and the necessity of safeguarding the public revenue and the public treasury, and that such committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to adjourn from place to place, to print the evidence taken before the committee, and to report from time to time."

Sir George Perley, member for Argenteuil, thereupon moved an amendment to Mr. Stevens' original motion striking out the references to the proposed enquiry, and his motion was carried without division. This however, left before the House that part of Mr. Stevens' motion which declared that there should be no adjournment. A division was taken and the amendment was defeated by a majority of seven. Immediately afterwards the government's motion for the six weeks' adjournment was put to the House and was carried by a majority of eight. The House then adjourned until Monday, when the debate on the address will be resumed with the prospect that Conservatives will move further amendments thereto.

It would not be surprising if the government would resort to closure, should the present Conservative obstructionist tactics be continued.

### Sask. Co-op. Enlarges Terminal

A 900,000-bushel storage addition to the "co-op's" Buffalo terminal transfer elevator will be erected immediately, according to a decision reached by the board of directors of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company. Contracts for the foundation of the structure have been awarded the D. E. Horton Construction Company, of Buffalo, and work will be under way within a few days. The foundation work will be completed early in April, when contracts will be let for the superstructure. Present plans call for the completion of the new unit early in July, in order to be in time for the handling of a portion of the United States crop, which will be moving to the seaboard at that time.

Completion of the addition to the "co-op's" Buffalo elevator will give the company 2,000,000 bushels of storage space at Buffalo, and a total terminal storage space at Port Arthur and Buffalo of 17,100,000 bushels.

### Dominion Bank Annual

The annual statement of the Dominion Bank was very satisfactory to the shareholders. The total deposits are now more than \$96,000,000. The quickly realizable assets of the bank are now over \$71,000,000, or over 62 per cent. of the total liabilities to the public. The total assets of the bank now stand at more than \$127,000,000. The net profits on the year's operations totalled \$1,156,840.43, as compared with \$1,144,082.22 for the previous year. A dividend of 12 per cent. and 1 per cent. bonus was paid, amounting to \$780,000. Dominion and provincial taxes amounted to \$167,667.14. The total paid up capital is now \$6,000,000, and the reserve fund and undivided profits amount to \$8,000,000.

### Co-op. Creameries Turn Corner

Making a profit for the first time in five years, the Saskatchewan Co-operative Creameries closed 1925 with a balance on the right side of \$17,337, compared with a net loss of \$68,000 in 1924, it was reported at the annual meeting here February 5.

A resolution was passed at the annual meeting expressing dissatisfaction with the Australian trade treaty, the directors in their report having stated the company would be represented in a delegation from Western Canada to wait upon the federal government in this connection with "the impending peril to the dairy industry of Western Canada."

Butter production had been increased to nearly 2,000,000 pounds, while the sale of ice cream had also increased, and increased revenue from cold storage plants was reported. Satisfactory results attended the experiment of feeding hogs at Invermay and Kelijher, while cheese-making had been carried on successfully at the Regina plant.

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## The Amalgamation Convention

It is rather difficult to size up and measure the progress made towards amalgamation between the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association and the Farmers' Union, at the Saskatoon convention. The Farmers' Union representation at the joint convention seemed to be decidedly better organized than the Grain Growers, and pushed its case with more vigor. Farmer Union delegates, moreover, frequently displayed impatience and intolerance towards Grain Grower delegates who took exception to Farmers' Union arguments. It was not really an ideal atmosphere in which to bring about the amalgamation which many in the rank and file of both organizations undoubtedly desire.

In the conclusions arrived at there was a certain amount of compromise and both organizations felt that some of their fundamental principles had been respected. The decision to name the new organization the United Farmers of Western Canada (Saskatchewan section), and that it is to be organized on a provincial basis with an interprovincial outlook, is rather confusing. It leaves nothing clear-cut and decisive. The United Farmers of Saskatchewan would have been a very much better name and would permit all the activities which could be carried on under the name decided upon. Furthermore, under the name United Farmers of Saskatchewan the new organization would have been in line with existing organizations in other provinces, and could have co-operated with them quite effectively in every way. True, the name decided upon was a compromise, and probably in the heat and excitement of the convention it was difficult to arrive at any other decision. When things calm down and there is opportunity for sober second thought the name United Farmers of Saskatchewan should appeal to the members of both organizations, and neither one need sacrifice anything in adopting it.

The decision to make the new organization a secret society, carrying on its meetings behind closed doors, is one which we do not believe will work out in the long run to the greatest advantage of the farmers themselves. There is no legitimate interest which the organized farmers are seeking to advance which cannot be discussed in open meetings and open conventions with benefit to the country at large. Boards of directors and executives should, naturally, hold their meetings in private. But it is impossible to see what advantage can be derived from the farmers and their wives in any community meeting to discuss their common problems in secret. What ideas and what plans are being considered that can be propagated and formulated only in secrecy? It has been tried before in Canada and in the United States, and farmers' secret societies have not proven effective.

The annual membership fee of \$5.00 is an excellent plan provided that any reasonable large number of members can be secured who will agree to pay that fee. It will give the organization financial strength, the lack of which has been the great handicap in all farmers' educational organizations in the past. If, however, in order to collect a fee of this size it will be necessary to have canvassers who will receive the largest portion of the fee as their commission for collecting the rest of it, the large fee will not bring the financial strength that it would indicate.

The provision that no official should hold office for more than two years is an indication that the members of the organiza-

tion are lacking in confidence in their own ability to select their chief officers. If the right men or women are selected for the chief offices in the organization their qualifications for that office are bound to improve year by year, and the organization would weaken itself in a great degree by changing its officers every two years. Under a system of annual election the organization has full control over its officers, and that should be sufficient protection to any democratically-organized institution.

No doubt some of these matters will receive further consideration by the joint committee which has been appointed to continue the negotiations and prepare for the separate conventions as well as the final joint convention which must be held to complete the amalgamation. It is to be hoped that the result of the negotiations will be a real and genuine amalgamation, where the membership in both competing organizations will come together to work for the common welfare of the farmers of the province of Saskatchewan. The interests of the farmers in that province are one and the same, no matter by what name they may call their organization. It is a great waste of energy to remain divided.

## That U.S. Ambassadorship

Sir Robert Borden, speaking before the Canadian Society of New York, in January, called attention to perhaps our outstanding political mystery when he declared that if he had remained Premier of Canada there would have been a Canadian ambassador at Washington before this time. Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador at Washington, merely added to the mystery when at the same meeting he said he would welcome such an appointment by the Canadian government.

It is to be wondered whether Sir Robert Borden could not really have gone further and explained why that Canadian ambassador has not been appointed. It was under his premiership that parliament authorized the appointment of a Canadian ambassador at Washington and voted the necessary money to maintain the office. Though Sir Robert Borden resigned shortly after, he was succeeded by Mr. Meighen, his own selection for the premiership. The ambassadorial appropriation was re-voted under Mr. Meighen's regime, yet, though he remained premier for 18 months, he appointed no ambassador. Under Mr. King's premiership there has been no change in the situation, the money being re-voted and the office remaining vacant.

It is about time that the great Canadian political mystery was solved. Sir Esme Howard's statement indicates that the British government is placing no obstacles in the way of the appointment of a Canadian ambassador at Washington. The fact that the Irish Free State already has its American ambassador is further evidence that the opposition is not coming from Downing Street. What then is the difficulty? We have in Canada a number of men eminently qualified for the position. Why is not the appointment made?

If strict constitutional procedure is followed in official communications between the Canadian and United States governments, it is a very tortuous and wearisome process. Our secretary of state for foreign affairs first communicates with the governor-general, who forwards the communication to the colonial secretary in London, and that gentleman passes it along to his colleague the foreign secretary, who in turn

forwards it to the British ambassador at Washington, who finally hands it to the American government. It is a wonder, considering the routine and red tape, that the message which starts from Ottawa ever reaches Washington. Indeed it is said that the constitutional aspect is sometimes overlooked and that communications are made fairly direct. It is to be hoped so.

Between Canada and the United States the relationship in many respects is even more intimate than with Great Britain, and will become still more intimate in the future. Our Canadian government should have its own representative in Washington for the transaction of the rapidly-growing international business. No matter how well disposed nor how capable the British ambassador may be it is inconceivable that he can give the attention to Canadian affairs that their importance warrants. Canada and its possibilities are not as well known as they should be at Washington. The appointment of a capable Canadian ambassador with a well-equipped office and staff at the seat of the American government, would be of inestimable value to Canada. It would aid in smoothing away many irritating difficulties and pave the way for greatly improved relations between the two nations controlling the destinies of the North American continent.

## Kaiser Not a Pauper

Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm, of Germany, although an exile in Holland, and lacking a throne from which to parade before the world, is not suffering from any lack of material things. Not only the Kaiser, but the other members of the late royal family as well are engaged in negotiations and court proceedings to rescue as much as possible of the great properties which they once owned in the various German states. It is estimated that the property in Germany claimed by Wilhelm, would give him a fortune of approximately \$125,000,000, and he seems likely to be able to make good his claim. It is against the state of Prussia that the Kaiser makes the heaviest claims. It is said that he will obtain at least 300,000 acres of land covered with castles, four of which alone with their contents are valued at over \$17,000,000.

The ex-Crown Prince has done very well, having been awarded an estate in Silesia worth about \$15,000,000, which gives him a magnificent income. The Duke of Brunswick, son-in-law of the ex-Kaiser, and the first German prince to flee from Germany in 1918, receives a pension of about \$18,000, and has been awarded large estates in addition. The Grand Duke of Weimar has a pension of \$25,000 and the Duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha has succeeded in making good his claim to estates, forests, museums, libraries, art galleries and castles. Others of the royal family have been awarded estates or pensions in smaller degree.

It is quite apparent that though the ex-Kaiser and the royal family abdicated the throne and fled the country, they will still be for many years, a heavy drain on the resources of the German Empire. The old feudal monarchical system was a most expensive one for the people to carry, and while the burden is being thrown off by one country after another, it will be a long time before the rule and the rights of the people are firmly established.

In striking contrast with the generosity of the German Republic towards the ex-Kaiser and his family is the provision made



for the widow of the late President Ebert, the man to whom Germany owes a debt beyond computation. The widow of Germany's first president is reported to be living frugally on a state pension, something like \$5.00 a day, while the Kaiser and his family have an income from the German Republic of about \$1,200 per day, and this income is likely to be greatly increased before final settlement is made. Truly democracies do not overburden their benefactors by excessive generosity.

### Old Age Pensions

The bill which the government proposes to introduce, providing for old age pensions, will create general interest and receive especial approval in labor circles. The principle of old age pensions was adopted by the British Government in 1908, and during the first nine months of the following year \$30,000,000 was paid out to pensioners. In the following year over \$40,000,000 was voted for the purpose. It has been estimated (though the estimate seems high) that there are nearly 100,000 people in Canada who would be eligible for an old age pension, being past the age of 70 and having no private means of support. It is intimated that the bill will provide for co-operation on the part of the provinces and will not come into effect until the individual provinces assume part of the financial burden entailed. If the expense of the old age pension system were borne entirely by the Dominion treasury it is estimated it would cost over \$20,000,000 annually. While the principle of State aid to the aged poor has been fairly widely accepted, its administration will require the exercise of the greatest care to prevent waste and abuse. Social legislation is one of the greatest problems of modern times. Society is slowly but steadily accepting the responsibility of caring for its unfortunate members. The

wider acceptance of this responsibility involves heavier taxation, and necessitates a more equitable distribution of the burden.

### The Party Game

Now that the King government has received a vote of confidence in parliament, nothing more is heard from the Conservative group as to the "unconstitutional procedure" of Premier King in refusing to resign his office before meeting parliament. The unconstitutional aspect of the case has been settled definitely and finally by the duly-elected members of the House.

Premier King, who will no doubt be successful in the Prince Albert by-election on February 15, will find it necessary to appoint probably six cabinet ministers to complete his government. Seats must be found and by-elections must be held in each case before the ministers can sit in parliament. Premier King sought an adjournment sufficient to afford time to reorganize his cabinet and hold the by-elections. Mr. Meighen and his party were determined, if possible, to prevent the adjournment, hoping to catch the government napping while the by-elections were on, and thus secure an adverse snap vote in the House. It is difficult to see the common sense of such tactics when the electors of Canada and the members of the House have already declared definitely that the government should carry on.

### Hudson Bay Railway

The Farmers' Sun, of Toronto, official organ of the United Farmers of Ontario, is greatly agitated over the proposal to complete the Hudson Bay Railway. The Sun says that it will cost \$50,000,000 to open up the route "where navigation closes in August," and suggests that the Hudson Bay route should not be proceeded with until some time in the future ages when the Hud-

son Bay becomes an ice-free port. We are somewhat surprised with the modesty with which the Sun urges its objections to the completion of the Hudson Bay route. The official estimates of the cost have never exceeded \$5,000,000. The Sun might have suggested \$100,000,000 just as readily as \$50,000,000, and it would have sounded more impressive. The bitterest opponents of the route have never suggested that navigation closed before the end of October. It is a wonder that the Sun instead of having it close down in August ever admitted that it would be open at all.

Exhaustive official investigations have demonstrated beyond doubt that the Hudson Bay route is quite feasible and practicable. The necessary money for the completion of the railway has been provided by the sale of western lands, the value of which was entirely created by the western people. Now that the government has decided to go ahead and complete the road it should not be very long until doubting Thomases are afforded an object lesson which is apparently the only method by which their delusions will be dispelled.

A very interesting motor tour, organized in Winnipeg, is now in progress. A large party, led by the mayor, started on January 23 for New Orleans, and motored through successfully, passing from winter to spring in a very few days. Everywhere it has been a triumphal tour, and already return visits from American motor tourists are being planned for the summer. Thus Canadians and Americans become better acquainted to mutual advantage.

If there has been wrong doing in the customs department as charged by H. H. Stevens, M.P., it should be probed to the bottom. Too often a "strong" government has whitewashed culprits in its own party.



"'Tis better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all"





# Field Lessons of 1925

*Seager Wheeler, many times world's champion wheat grower, turns his attention to the evolution of a rust-proof wheat*

**A**NOTHER season has come and gone since I wrote my annual article to The Guide on the lessons of the season. There are no two seasons alike and the past season of 1925 was no exception in the more than usual rainfall throughout the growing season. The spring opened up with no setback from the time the snow commenced to thaw until it was all gone.

On my own farm work on the land commenced on April 16, but little work was done owing to the setback by rain and snow. Seeding commenced on the 21st. Wheat seeding was completed on May 11.

In April, after work commenced, it rained on seven days. In May rain fell on six days during the month. In June it rained on 11 days—and a total of approximately six inches fell during this month. On July 7, rain fell with no more rain until the 20th. During this interval we had very hot dry weather which was not to the best advantage of the wheat crop, owing to the soft heavy growth throughout the growing season and followed by this extreme heat at a critical period when the grain was filling, the grain was not as plump and smooth as in more normal season. In August it rained on six days—throughout the growing season it rained some 33 days—and some 12 inches of rain fell during that period. This is the heaviest precipitation for some years past. Consequently the stand of crops was good and all fields were remarkably uniform in stand and growth. Yields obtained were as follows:

	Bushels per acre
Marquis 10B wheat.....	40
Kitchener wheat .....	42
Supreme wheat .....	45
Early Triumph wheat.....	50
Canadian Thorpe barley.....	50
Victory oats in fallow.....	100

Victory oats grown for feed purposes on spring plowing, second crop following wheat, also yielded 100 bushels per acre. These yields while good are not excep-

tional. The yields would have been higher but for the hot dry period in July. Crops were all good generally throughout this section.

## A Race Against Rust

Rust was in evidence but fortunately did not appear until the first week in August, at a time when the crop was too far advanced to be seriously affected. No frosts came until after the crops were safely harvested. The first light frost came on September 13 and only touched the tips of tender garden stuff but did not hinder growth.

In earlier years, when we were growing later maturing wheat, frost was a matter for concern to every wheat grower. Invariably, every season, during the third and last week in August it was a critical time when frost often caught the crops before maturity. We have had no frosts in August for some years past and apparently the growing season is lengthened and earlier maturing wheats now generally grown has practically eliminated the frost problem.

Rust is now one of the chief problems to overcome. It is more or less epidemic in this locality and may appear in any season. Fortunately it does not appear until or near August 6. I have kept close tab on rust every season—and I find that the first traces appear with regularity on or at this date. In most seasons the crop is at or near maturity at this time and the injury is less than in some districts where it appears earlier in the season. In the past season widespread interest was taken in the reports of rust-resistant varieties of wheat that has been evolved here and there recently, as it is a matter of vital concern to every wheat grower that has at some time or other seen his crop seriously injured by stem rust. There is urgent necessity for wheats that are immune to stem rust.

For many years past I have en-

deavored to find a variety that would be resistant or immune to stem rust and have grown a large number of wheats from different countries as well as numbers that originated on my own farm. These wheats are grown in the nursery or head-row plots and I have had opportunity each season to note the behavior of each sort under the varying conditions that are met each season and I find, with one or two exceptions, that stem rust attacks all these varieties more or less. The only exception is one or two of the durum type. It is a difficult matter to originate a perfect wheat, as there are so many factors to be considered, as rust is not the only factor. There is no doubt that rust resistance may be bred in a variety to a great degree, but it may lack other desirable qualities.

In my nursery plot where I grow some 300 different kinds of wheat I have had good opportunity to note the behavior of each kind over a period of years. Results in one season only are not sufficient but must be counted over several seasons. In the past season some of my selections exposed their bad as well as good points—owing to the heavy rains and wind storms all the weaker strawed sorts went down and only the strongest strawed sorts stood up. In a dry season these weaker strawed sorts would not reveal this fault. Rust will develop more rapidly on varieties that are leaning or lodged than those that are more upstanding.

## An Important Announcement

It may be of interest to mention that I have some selections of wheat that showed good immunity to rust in the past season as well as in other seasons. For a number of years I have had a separate piece in my nursery plots devoted to only those selections that show some more or less resistance to rust. The same

selections are also grown in the nursery plots as well. Among these selections I have those that I designate the R.B. wheat under number. These R.B. selections are out of the first selection made of the Red Bobs in 1911, as at that time I had a number of distinct sorts. The only two named lots that I sent out was the Early Triumph and Supreme. Some of these earlier selections are carried each season in the rust-resistance plots. When rust is in evidence some of these show good immunity to injury, not entirely resistant as far as traces of rust may appear in the stems, but they invariably mature smooth plump well developed grain and show less traces of rust than many other wheats.

My observation of the effect of stem rust on wheats show that some varieties are easily injured and when attacked at a certain stage development of the grain ceases, while others that are attacked at apparently the same stage go on to complete development of the grain. Some of these R.B. selections, when left standing until late in September, fully matured without slightest injury, whereas other wheats standing at this time were badly infested and did not come to full maturity.

## A Beardless Kota Selection

Another promising lot is some selections out of a natural cross of Kota wheat. Kota is a bearded wheat and in the past five years has consistently shown greater resistance to rust than any of the wheat generally grown. It has one weakness that is shown every season—its character of weak straw. When the heads are filled it goes down always, regardless of the season whether wet or dry.

In 1923 I found in my nursery plot one or two beardless types of Kota and these when sown in 1924 segregated into several types both bearded and beardless, early and late maturing, and some dwarf forms. These dwarf forms grew only about six to eight inches high, but some of them developed a full length head and matured grain with no stem above the foliage. Although there was less rust in 1924 than in the past season

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# Making a Rust-proof Wheat

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OF the 60 centuries that wheat has been cultivated we have only known how to make a new wheat during the last one. For 59 centuries selection was the only means of improving the crop. Two thousand years ago Virgil wrote:

"I have seen the largest seeds degenerate  
Unless the industrious hand  
Did yearly cull the largest,"

and so on down through the ages man has culled the largest. But improvement by selection is very slow, and 500 years ago the wheat yield in England was only four bushels per acre. Not until the 19th century was wheat artificially hybridized.

In 1804, Andrew Knight, of England, had a hybrid wheat which he said "did not succeed to expectations." In 1846, Maund, of Bromsgrove, exhibited hybrid wheats at a meeting of the English Agricultural Society, and in 1848, Rayn-bird hybrid wheats were awarded a gold medal, and again at the great exhibition of London in 1851.

These were the first hybrid wheats grown on an agricultural scale. So a quick, definite way of getting a new wheat has only been practiced 75 years and only extensively, 50 years.

Yet, in this short time, thousands of new wheats have been made, and Percival, in his recent monogram on wheat, lists 800 registered varieties, 650 of which are bread wheats, and the enormous increase of hybrids in the last five years must raise the number of registered varieties of bread wheats to nearly 1,000. Of this great number only a few are eminently suited to each locality, and with a tendency to reversion, and of time to draw into the locality all the diseases to which the few are susceptible, the best, in time, falls, to give way to a better.

## Marquis Supremacy Undermined

Such is the history of Marquis in the prairie provinces. Like Hamlet we are crying "when shall we see its like again." The world's best is not easily beaten. Rust was its only weakness; a weakness common to all bread wheats, more or less. We have, therefore, to go outside the bread wheats for immunity to rust. This is not easy for it is going outside the species. Bread wheats are one species, durum wheats are another, and of quite different make-up internally and externally—as different as the

horse and the donkey, so we should expect a mule, and a stubborn one, for there are plant mules as well as animal mules. Extreme hybrids are usually sterile but of extreme strength and resistance.

The term hybrid, like species, is used in such a vague and general sense that no simple definition or limit can be given. The mule is a hybrid, and so is a Hereford - Shorthorn, but in a vastly different sense. The one is a sterile cross between different species, the other a fertile, vigorous blend of two breeds of the same species. And crossing in plants usually means far less than this. Marquis wheat is a cross between two very similar wheats. New dahlias may involve only the turn in the petals or some slight color change. We ought, therefore, to distinguish between species hybrids and variety hybrids. The one might be called an out-cross, and the other an in-cross or close-cross. The out-cross promises much but gives little; the variety cross seems a trivial gain, but is really the means by which plants and animals have been improved.

## The Analogy of a Car

Motor engines are species. Only those parts evolved in the same factory will fit together to make a working engine. The mechanic calls this "adjustment of parts," the breeder calls it "compatibility of the chromosome." Both mean the same; it is a highly technical problem in both cases. It took years to perfect and standardize the motor engine including many failures and the scrapping of thousands of parts. Jesenko pollinated over 3,500 rye flowers with wheat pollen before he got a single fertile seed. By back-crossing in the next generation he got one fertile seed from over 4,800 pollinations. Others have failed to get any, and of the million attempts which have probably been made, we still have no wheat-rye hybrids which stands the test of time. They seem to rattle along for a time, losing parts here and there like a hybrid motor car and finally stopping altogether. It is a difficult mechanical problem and can be overcome only by standardizing of parts and many trial fittings.

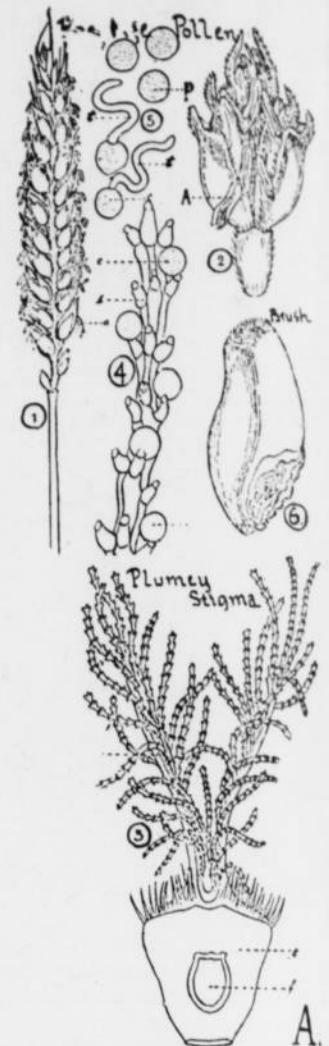
This the breeder is doing by crossing the most possible and back crossing, or bridging a difficulty to get something that will work and then giving it field trials to see that no parts rattle loose or become lost. It is quite the same as trying to make a new seed drill out of two different makes, of different numbers of parts, and fitting and keeping the essential parts. This is the rust-proof wheat problem exactly. The desirable features are in two different wheats—bread wheats and macaroni wheats, the one with 21 parts, the other with 14. They have been fitted together scores of times lately, but some desirable parts either rattle loose or won't fit and are left behind. Several make-shifts, however, have been going three or four years and seem to be standing the test fairly well. From these will be made the new best with all the modern improvements. But you see it is no easy task and it takes time.

## The Process of Crossing

As to just how the heredity machine works we shall have to refer to the detail drawings herewith, showing the structure of the wheat flower and its parts. No. 1 shows a side view of a spike or head. The breeder removes all but the middle four on either side. No. 2 is a spikelet showing anthers hanging out. It is too late to cross such flowers. The pollen has been shed and the grain self-fertilized. To prevent this the anthers have to be removed before they even turn yellow, and also the top or middle part of this cluster leaving only the two florets at the bottom where the largest grain forms. This leaves the best female stock for breeding purposes.

To this is brought the desired pollen when ready or open, usually in two or three days, and covered with glassine paper all the while to protect the female flowers from foreign or blowing pollen. This part of the process is easy and nature has provided a wonderful device for catching pollen—a plumey stigma as shown in No. 3, each branch of which has pollen hooks as shown in No. 4.

When ripe anthers are placed in the flower some of the pollen is sure to get on these sticky pollen hooks, and here they sprout as shown in No. 5, producing

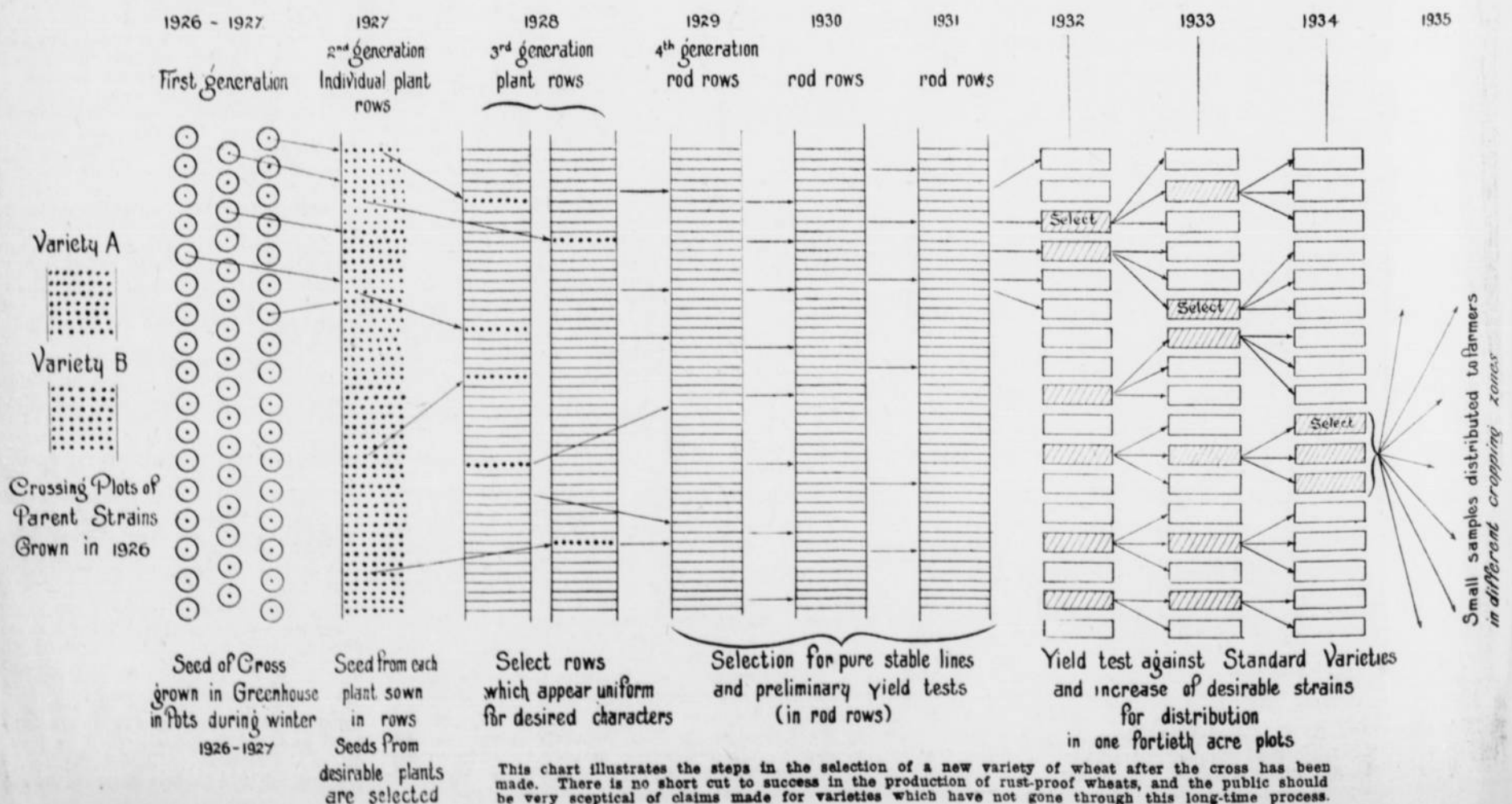


The sexual organs of the wheat plant

a long tube (T) which grows down through the feathery stigma to the ovule of the grain and starts the development of an embryo which becomes the germ of wheat as shown in No. 6, and the food for this germ is the wheat grain with remnants of the old bushy stigma at the other end of the grain.

It is in the pollen tube and the embryo sac that these 14 and 21 parts are, out of which we must make a new germ. If they don't fit, the germ simply dies and we say the crop is sterile. If they

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## The Farm Garden

W. R. Leslie, superintendent Morden Experiment Station, suggests a vegetable planting scheme convenient for the man with the hoe and pleasing to the autocrats of the kitchen

A REAL good home is the primary aim of every successful farm business. One of the first features in the gaining of that status is the operation of a vegetable garden which will yield donations to the table for every day in the year and often for three meals a day. The contributions will include fruit substitutes such as rhubarb, citrons, etc., salad materials, and vegetables for cooking in much variety.

The garden area reserved in the complete plan of The Guide of last week was 120 feet by 64 feet, plus space for cultivating about the hedges on the east, north, and west sides. The eastern half of the area is devoted to fruits, the western to vegetables. The service area bends into the southern end of the vegetable area. However, some of the perennial vegetables may be set fairly close to the hedges and still give fair results.

This garden is planted for hand cultivation. If horse cultivation is preferred, the garden should run the lengthways of the garden area, to involve a minimum of turnings and of deep headlands. Let it be further noted that the garden here planned provides chiefly for the production of vegetables in season during the growing period and the autumn. Vegetables to be grown in quantity for canning and for winter storage might well be grown under a system of horse cultivation, and in the snow-trap area to the north of the garden, or in the seed-plot area to the west of the garage.

It will be noted two vegetables possessing a host of virtues have not been marked in the garden. These are celery and leeks—both aces in the diet of the epicure, the empire over. They are reserved for the seed-plot area, so as to be near the well, as both require blanching and prosper when copiously watered at regular intervals.

The comments to be made are of necessity to be but few and very general in nature. Heavy volumes of information are confined to the topic of vegetables. As to varieties, suffice it to say that the Canadian Horticultural Council have published a much curtailed list of chosen varieties, which will act as a safe and economical guide for the

private grower to follow. They have contracted their number to about one-eleventh the number of varieties found in trade catalogues.

#### Perennial Vegetables

The path of little resistance has ever had appeal. We might wish that all of our plants were like trees and shrubs, perennial in nature. It is a happy fact that although most vegetable crops are to be seeded each year, there are a few that thrive when treated as perennials.

In the plan, Jerusalem artichokes, a nutritious vegetable that is often overlooked by gardeners, are placed in the poultry yard. They will supply shade and shelter to the hens as well as some food. A supply of the tubers may be dug for the kitchen when desired. These tubers serve as fair substitute for potatoes and as an economical alibi for Brazil nuts in mixed salads. In the raw state they are nutty in flavor and in texture.

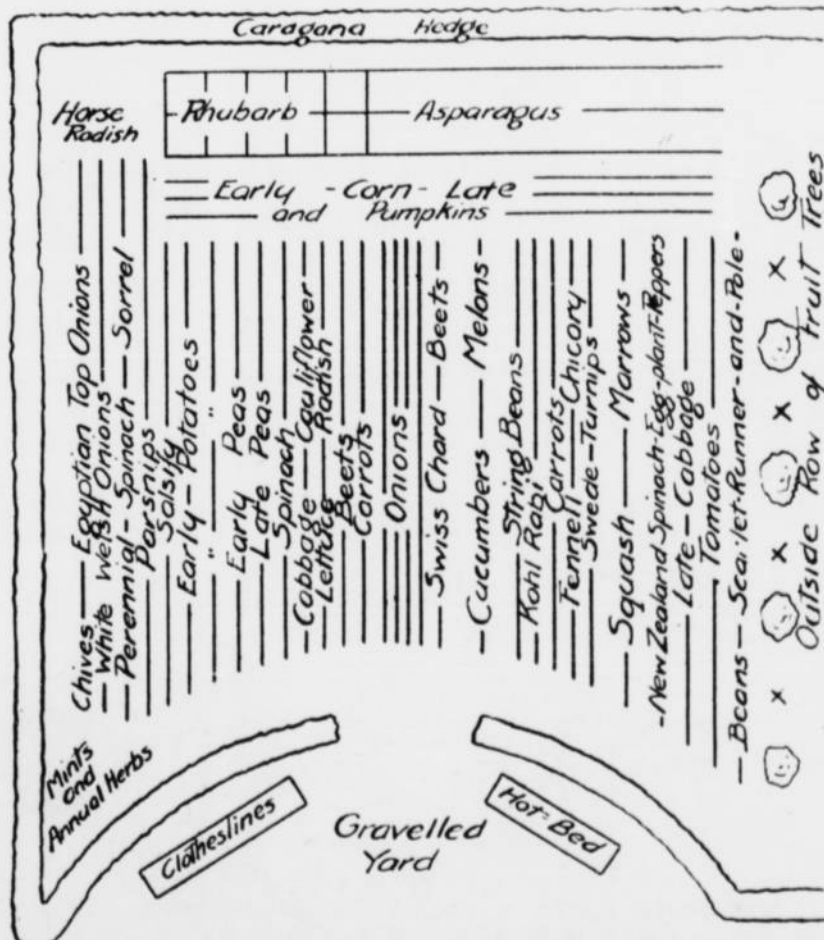
Other perennial vegetable crops are placed about the caragana hedges on the north and west of the garden. Asparagus, that delicately flavored vegetable that for centuries has been a favorite with Old World aristocracy, is placed in three rows, four feet apart. The area devoted to asparagus is such as should provide a surplus for canning. The plants yield generously after their third year.

#### A Fruit Substitute

Rhubarb, that sturdy substitute for sauce-making and pie-filling fruits, grows west of the asparagus bed. Variety is immensely important in the rhubarb patch. Macdonald and Ruby are far exceeding the older commercial sorts.

The corner by the juncture of the two caragana hedges may produce some horse-radish.

The two rows immediately on the west side of the garden grow hardy perennial members of the onion family. Shallots might be included but are but little grown. Chives are used for seasoning and by many people are keenly sought for the manufacture of omelettes. Egyptian top onions are a valuable crop. They may be harvested at any time. White Welsh onions grow from seed and produce luxuriously for a number of years. In the early spring



Tastes differ: Mr. Growler will have no use for so many onions; Mrs. Oldways will be afraid to experiment with vegetables which she has never used before. But on the whole Mr. Leslie's plan will find commendation. Relate this plan to the large scale plan appearing in last week's Guide.



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they may be harvested about the time the last of the snows are melting in the woods. In quality, they will be found to excel, while in season, the young green onions imported from California. The home-grown Welsh onions may be had for nothing. Every garden should accommodate some of these zesty, health-increasing perennial onions which will be awaiting their harvesters each late April, May and early June.

#### Beats Spring Tonics

Fresh green vegetables have been happily called "Unbottled Medicines." Provision has been made for a row of Belgian perennial spinach and sorrel. These remain productive for a number of years and will yield "greens" in very early spring. Dandelion greens are much less popular than these plants, which are prominent residents in many Old Country cottage gardens.

Parsnips and salsify, in the plan, come next to the perennial vegetables, as these two root crops are sometimes left in the ground over winter. The salsify may fail to survive the winter but the parsnips usually give fine-flavored vegetables of marrow texture when spring dug.

The garden permits room for early potatoes but not for the main supply, which may be grown in the snow-trap area.

Garden peas probably give less returns for the room utilized than any other garden vegetable. They are, however, prime favorites, and both early and late varieties should be sown. This system is safer than using only an early variety and depending on plantings at intervals to provide a succession of crops of green peas.

#### Aptly Named

Spinach, "the broom of the stomach" is spoken of with deference, as the heaviest source of our iron salts. It is placed between the late peas and early cabbage and cauliflower, for the reason that greater use may be made of the ground. The spinach will be harvested and out of the way by the time the two neighboring rows require the room.

Lettuce and radish are placed between the cabbage and beet rows for the same reason. They have short careers early in the season.

Rows of carrots, onions, and beets with their cousin Swiss chard, follow. The next row is reserved for vine crops. Cucumbers including West

Indian gherkins, and melons, will enjoy the warm, sun-smitten, central area of the garden, and will benefit from the shelter provided by the Swiss chard.

Bush beans, kohlrabi, carrots, fennel and chicory, and swede turnips follow before the row of squash and marrow is reached. Kohlrabi has a number of merits, being of finer flavor than early garden turnips, and minus the biting flavor of the latter, and the roots are less patronized by vagrant insects. Fennel is used for flavoring and the lower stalks, when blanched, offer a fair substitute late in the season for asparagus. Chicory roots may easily be forced in the winter, producing generous hearts of creamy-colored leaves which are relished for salad uses. The swede turnip row is inserted for convenience.

A row of squash and marrow may be planted to several sorts and thus provide a considerable variation in material for pie-filling and dinner vegetables. A common mistake is to leave summer squashes and marrows too long undergoing maturity. Such types as Crook-neck Squash are of surpassing appeal only when cut in the "squab" or very early stage.

#### A Valuable Novelty

New Zealand Spinach shares a row with egg plants and peppers. The first-mentioned is not a true spinach but an admirable substitute and has the valuable virtue of thriving right through the heat of summer without venturing into seed production.

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Following a row of late cabbage, comes two rows of hot-weather crops. The first is of tomatoes, and the second of scarlet runner and other pole beans. These crops respond to warm location and hence are placed where they may meet the warm rays of the afternoon sun.

Pole beans continue the bean season long after the string beans are past. People who have not enjoyed Scarlet Runner beans have a treat in store. They belong to the elite of vegetable classes.

In conclusion, the value of rotating the garden crops about the garden from year to year is emphasized. Moreover, the economical use of space is thrifty and good practice. The following are early crops which may be followed by others—string beans, beets, early cabbage, early cauliflower, garden cress, carrots, lettuce, peas, potatoes, radish and spinach. These crops may be planted to follow early crops—beets, cabbage, garden cress, lettuce, peas, radish, spinach, and swede turnips.

This is the second of a series of four articles on Farmstead Planning by Mr. Leslie. The third article, dealing with the fruit orchard, will appear in The Guide of February 17.

#### Stubble Burning Good Practice

We live on the heavy land six and one-half miles south of Pense, Sask., and have been burning our stubble every year it is thick enough, so the fire has run over it for the last 10 to 12 years. In that time we have not missed more than three or four years. We find it much more satisfactory than either cultivating or plowing for the land, and is so much better to kill foul seeds lying on the ground, also any insects and eggs among or on the stubble such as saw-fly or grasshoppers.

We do not favor the use of stubble burners as they cost too much in first place, also they are run on oil which has to be bought and is a big item in the cost of operating and lastly it is no more satisfactory than the old way of spreading straw over the stubble to burn.

We always spread the straw in winter on the snow when there is not much else doing and help is cheaper. We find it better if the straw is spread on the snow so it will settle down in the bottom of the stubble when the snow thaws in the spring. We use one section of a common harrow drawn by one horse to be hitched to the end of a light chain from the harrow about 15 feet for burning. The horse walks on top of the outside row of straw.

We put two fairly heavy rows of straw, wheat straw is best, around each piece to burn. First row is around outside. Second row is about four rods in from first, it helps to spruce up the fire after it is started. We always cover over any roads or paths through the stubble with straw so the fire will have no check from running. Always use a south-west or south wind if possible as they are generally steady and warmer.—Ernest Grant.

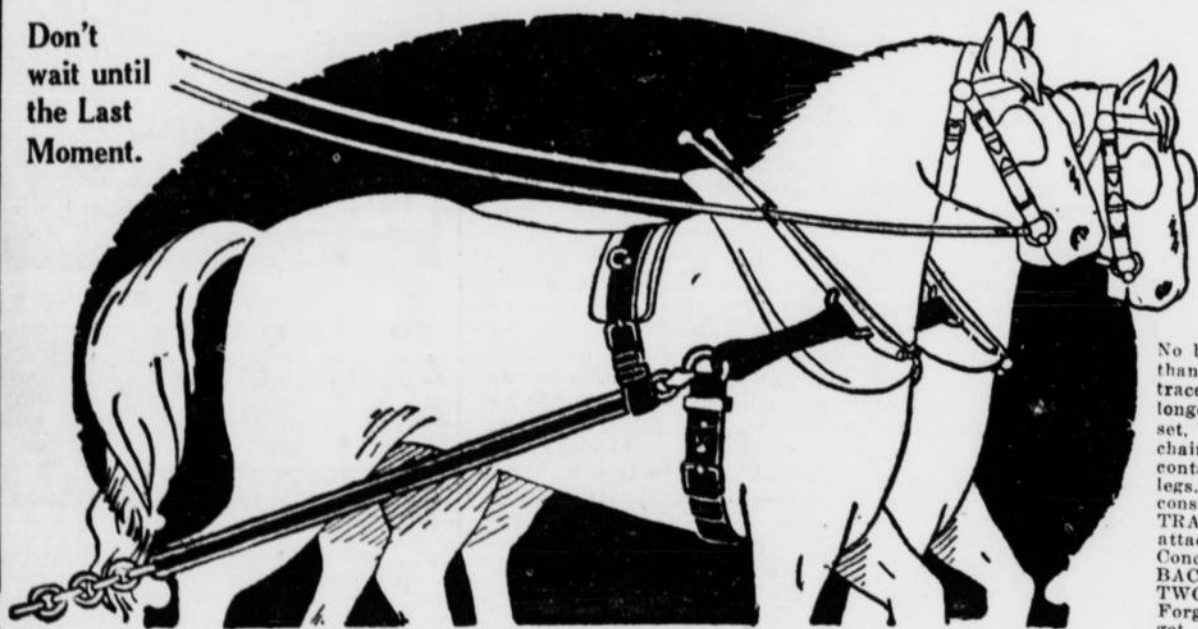


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## Readers' Question Box

We are asking the assistance of our readers in answering some of the many important questions that are asked during the season. To many of the questions asked the best reply is the experience of others who have met with the same problem. Please read these questions, and if they come within your experience send us your answer. You will be helping your fellows and we shall be glad to pay you for the time spent.

### Does it Pay to Manure?

I would like to see a discussion started in The Guide on the use of manure. We are continually being told by those who ought to know that we are impoverishing the soil, and that apart altogether from its loss of fertility it is losing its humus fast, with all the consequences that such loss entails. On the other hand those of my neighbors who have applied manure to their land cannot agree about its value.—"Scotty," Man.

### Livestock Shrink in Transit

There has been some little dissatisfaction in our co-operative livestock shipping association on account of the heavy shrinkage we have had on our two shipments this winter. We had a shrink of

In writing your answer to any or all of the above questions there is no limit to the length of the answer. Just give the information you think is necessary and no more, but be sure to give enough.

For the best answer to each question The Guide will pay \$3.00; for the second best \$2.00; and our regular rates of payment for any others that we publish. Write only on one side of the paper, and if you answer more than one question put your name and address under each answer. If you wish your name withheld from publication your wish will be respected. Answers must be received on or before February 24. Address replies to Readers' Question Box, The Grain Growers' Guide, Winnipeg, Man.

### Baby Beef Feeder Repeats Success



Geo. Jones' load of baby beefs

On Tuesday, January 20, George Jones, of Kenton, Manitoba, marketed a load of 30 heifers through the United Livestock Growers on the St. Boniface Stock Yards. The heifers weighed 26,090 pounds, or an average of 870 pounds each, and made the top price of seven cents per pound, being purchased by Gordon, Ironside and Fares, for use in the new Harris plant adjacent to the stock yards.

The heifers had been originally purchased through the Manitoba Cattle Loan Company, in June of last year at \$3.50 per 100 pounds. They were taken home and were immediately turned on summerfallow and grass pasture. Shortly after having the heifers brought home Mr. Jones made arrangement with Dr. Thompson, of Virden, to have the heifers spayed, believing that he could do better with them when they were marketed if he could guarantee that they were not in calf.

At the time of purchase the heifers weighed 16,440, or an average of 548 pounds per head. They were mostly Shorthorns, but there were a number of Aberdeen-Angus and a few Herefords. In fact, beyond saying that they were well-bred beef cattle one could not describe the load as being of any particular breed.

The total cost of these heifers at the stock yards was \$575.40, and when they were sold recently the gross selling price was \$1,826.30, with a net value of \$1,722.23, after the expenses in connection with the running of these cattle had been met. The average gain in weight made by the load was 322 pounds per head.

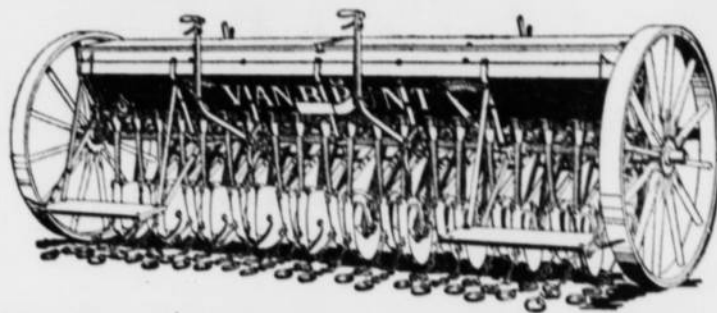
Mr. Jones states that the cattle ran on pasture during the summer and on the stubble later in the fall until the

5 per cent. on the last load, which seems unreasonable considering the mildness of the weather and the prompt way in which the railway company moved them after the car was assembled at our local point. Could you give us some information on the feeding of cattle for the two or three days before they get on the cars so as to keep shrink down to the minimum.—"Perplexed."

### Would Grow Melons

Can you tell me if the better varieties of melons can be grown as far north as my location, 60 miles northeast of Regina? We have a thick windbreak on three sides of our garden and it gets pretty hot in there in the summer. We thought we could grow melons in there all right if we could get them started early in the spring.—Mrs. D. W. B.

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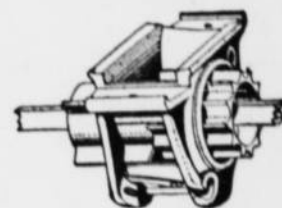
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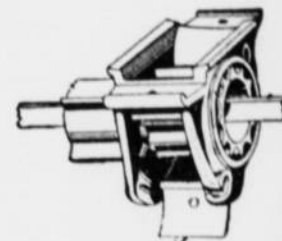
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heifers was a tribute to Mr. Jones' ability as a feeder and to his wisdom in having the heifers spayed. It is well known that the reason why heifers generally sell a little below steers of similar quality is because of the fact that so many are in calf that buyers must protect themselves against loss from that source.

Mr. Jones states that he finds cattle feeding much ahead of wheat as a means of making a little money, and he gives it as his opinion that the successful development of the farms of Manitoba depended upon the degree to which we continue to grow corn and sweet clover as soil improvers and as suitable feeds for our cattle.

### Ton Litter from Fall Farrow

The letter appearing recently in The Guide Reader's Question Box makes me feel that I ought to raise my voice in support of the practice of raising fall litters.

I keep pure-bred Yorkshire pigs and from my experience they certainly have done well. On September 15, 1924, a sow of mine had a litter of 10 pigs. About September 30 this sow and her pigs were turned out on stubble. They were left running till snow came and in this time I did not feed them.

I then prepared a granary in which to winter them. I laid poles across the plate of this granary and on the top of the poles I put straw. Gave them plenty of bedding and kept the place clean and dry. The pigs were fed on a mixture of rye and oat chop. The chop was fed dry and their drink was water.

I did not have a crippled pig, nor did I have trouble of any other kind to speak of with them.

The pigs were sold in March 1925. The litter of 10 weighed altogether 2,350 pounds. The butcher who bought them, J. McManman, Aneroid, Sask.,

said they were as good a litter of pigs as any he ever bought.

My experience in 1925 is as follows: August 1, I had two sows which raised 18 pigs. I let them run on the stubble picking their own living. They ran until the middle of December. I then shut them up in the granary which was used by the pigs in the preceding winter. They are being fed the same ration as the pigs of last year except the chop mixture is oats and barley. They now (December 28) weigh 100 pounds each. There are no cripples in the bunch and individually they are all doing fine.

I consider, by having the pigs run on the stubble during the fall, that they do not cost me very much more than spring pigs. Anyhow pork is usually a higher price in the spring than in the fall. After two years like the last, I have every reason to consider fall litters very profitable.—C. Empey, Aneroid, Sask.

Prof. Joel advises The Guide that the University of Saskatchewan will supply bacterial cultures for inoculating sweet clover, alfalfa, peas, and red and white clovers, to farmers of Saskatchewan this coming spring.

The cost will be 40 cents per eight ounce bottle, remittance and order to be sent to the Business Manager of the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon. One bottle of culture per bushel of seed is recommended. That orders should be sent in early, as last year the University was unable to supply the late demand.

Orders should state the kind and amount of seed to be sown, the approximate date when shipment is desired, the post office and express address, the number of bottles desired, and the amount and nature of remittance enclosed. Full instructions for applying the bacteria are sent with each order.



# Friends! Readers!! Contestants!!!

# 4906

## IS THE CORRECT ANSWER TO THE FIGURE PUZZLE

The sum total of the figures in the picture before any had been taken out was 4942. Premier John Bracken erased 18, and Hon. T. A. Crerar erased 18, leaving 4906.



PREMIER BRACKEN

The following letters indicate the manner in which this feature of the contest was carried out:

February 2, 1926.

Dear Sir:

This is to certify that on October 27, 1925, in accordance with your request, I erased several numbers from your Picture Puzzle. Since that date, these numbers have been in a sealed envelope in my vault, and no person has had any access to them, nor any opportunity to know what they are.

The numbers which I erased were: 6, 5, 4, 3, totalling 18.

(Signed) JOHN BRACKEN.

February 2, 1926.

Gentlemen:

The numbers which I erased from your Picture Puzzle on October 27, 1925, were as follows: 2, 5, 7, 4, totalling 18.

I erased these numbers privately, and no one knew what they were, neither then nor since, as they have been in a sealed envelope in my vault until today.

(Signed) T. A. CRERAR.

To provide against any possibility of mistake, two experts solved the puzzle, using a Burroughs Electric Adding Machine, and under our supervision they checked and re-checked their work until all doubt concerning the correct answer had been removed.

## The Final Results

Many contestants for some reason delayed sending in their solution until the closing days of the contest. For this reason our records are not yet complete, but it is already evident that a second puzzle will be necessary to decide the prize winners. Full particulars will be sent by mail to each contestant who has obtained the correct answer.

The figures in the puzzle used this year were made just a little smaller than in last year's puzzle, and the problem was a little more difficult to solve. In spite of this contestants have shown remarkable ability and perseverance in their work. A number were just one (1) over or one (1) under the correct answer, while quite a large percentage of answers ranged from 4,900 to 4,915.

Copies of the second puzzle, which will be sent to those who obtained the correct answer, will be mailed first to contestants living the greatest distance from Winnipeg, as follows:

To Alberta contestants on Monday, February 15.

To Saskatchewan contestants on Tuesday, February 16.

To Manitoba contestants on Wednesday, February 17.

No one will be given a copy of the second puzzle from this office. They will be mailed to contestants no matter where they reside. Furthermore, do not write for any information concerning the second puzzle. It will be sent you.

The contest staff are working at "top notch" to get all records completed, hence we expect to mail each successful contestant his copies of the second puzzle on the above dates. To provide against the possibility of error, anyone having obtained the correct answer to the first puzzle who does not receive the second puzzle by February 20, must notify us immediately. Do not write us before the above date, and do not delay too long after that date in notifying us, for we accept no responsibility either in case of delay or in case a contestant does not receive his copies of the second puzzle.

Successful contestants will be given plenty of time to send in their solution to the second puzzle. Note particularly that no questions regarding the second puzzle will be answered until after February 17. Each contestant will be given an equal opportunity, and all prizes will be awarded with absolute impartiality. When the final results are announced, a copy of the second puzzle will be published in The Guide, showing the solution obtained by the winner of the First Grand Award.

## A RECORD-BREAKING CONTEST

The Big Guide contest has been extremely interesting and immensely educational to a host of our readers and friends. We are glad that so many feel like one of our contestants from Swan River, Manitoba, who writes as follows:

"Of course, like all the rest who have entered the contest, I am hoping to win a valuable prize, but even if I don't, I am not sorry for the time put into solving the puzzle. I have truly taken amusement out of it, and am sure I have improved my addition ability as well. Wishing The Grain Growers' Guide abundant success."—Mrs. Gordon Mitchell.

We take this opportunity to congratulate the successful contestants and to thank all those who helped to make the contest such a complete success.

THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

## Limited Use for Hulless Oats

"I have had some valuable experience with hulless oats during the last three years," says R. H. McDonald, Trochu, Alta., "In 1923 I got a few bushels of seed, grown in Peace River, by Major Beveridge, and planted them on good summerfallow land. I started sowing at the rate of one and a half bushels per acre, but that seemed to be too much, as the seed is small and oily and runs more freely than other oats, so I cut it down to one bushel per acre. They did not come evenly in the drills and some of the plants seemed slower in coming and weaker than the majority. However, there was a good growth of straw and a yield of 50 bushels per acre when threshed, and these oats weighed about 60 pounds to the measured bushel.

"The two following years were very poor oat years for us except where oats were sown on summerfallow and I did not put my hulless on that kind of land either year, but sowed them on spring plowing. In 1924 I threshed no oats at all and in 1925 I decided not to continue growing hulless oats for the following reasons:

### Summarizes Demerits

1. They are too hard to keep clean. It is practically impossible to get buckwheat and ball mustard out of them. These weed seeds are of the same diameter as a great majority of the oats and the oats get through any sieve that will let the weeds out. In 1924 I tried floating the foul seeds out by dumping a bushel at a time of the oats (after being fanned) into the formaldehyde solution when treating before sowing. This worked very well but did not get all the weeds.

2. They are almost as hard to get out of the land as fall rye. If wheat is grown after hulless oats there is bound to be oats in the wheat, but this can be overcome by growing feed oats or green feed instead or by summer-fallowing.

3. They are particularly susceptible to smut and the germination is retarded or even killed by treating with formaldehyde, having no hull to protect the germ as other oats have where the smut is on the outside of the hull. This accounts for the patchy growth or poor germination referred to in my first crop. However, I understand this can be overcome also by using the dry treatment which a good many farmers are now using on all grains.

4. Wheat is our staple crop here, and I do not find it profitable to dabble in small plots of any other kind of grain.

### Method of Feeding

"In direct reply to the letter of enquiry in The Guide of December 30, I would say yes, by all means, grow them for pig feed if you are in a district where hogs are profitable. They are good for fattening hogs and absolutely beyond comparison for young pigs at weaning time if soaked and allowed to stand a day or two in the water before feeding. I put a few bushels into half a barrel of water to start with, and as I took out a feed I put in as much as I took out. In about two days' time the

well-soaked oats are soft as if cooked and many have already sprouted. Start feeding this to young pigs as soon as they will eat out of a trough, and when they are taken from the dam they just keep right on growing, retaining their milk fat, and the change is not noticeable.

"The same method applies equally well in fattening poultry, especially turkeys, although I believe it is better to use the crushed or chopped oats mixed with milk to a stiff mash consistency than the soaked oats. A pall of this mash set where the turkeys can come and go at leisure will result in most excellent gains and put on a layer of most beautiful white meat.

### Not Advisable for General Cropping

"It would hardly seem advisable to grow hulless oats as a general crop as the market is too limited. Seed houses require some each year. A local demand is always created where someone in a district starts growing them and there is the medium of The Guide's advt. column for effecting outside sales. I had no difficulty in selling my surplus at three cents per pound.

"For horse feed, straight hulless oats are too strong or rich and must be mixed half and half with other oats or bran.

"I have been told there is good market in car lots in some parts of the States where poultry fattening is carried on on a large scale.

"They make excellent green feed in sheaf and the threshed straw being 'oily' is preferred by all kinds of stock. Hulless oats are indispensable on a mixed farm."

### Ford Driven Grain Cleaner

Visitors at the Emerson, Manitoba, Fair last summer, passed favorable comment on an ingenious home-made grain cleaner exhibited by a local farmer, M. E. Peto. The foundation of this machine is a discarded grain separator and it is driven by an old Ford motor situated in the front.

The machine will operate in conjunction with the thresher, at the granary, or clean direct into the car. Sieves have been made to handle all kinds of grains, including flax. Last year 1,000 bushels of barley were cleaned in four hours, and 450 bushels of wheat for seed purposes in two hours. Both lots of grain were well cleaned.

The construction of this cleaner is not complicated. The hopper holds 50 bushels and the rate of feed is adjustable. A side shake cleaner, similar in design to that used in elevators, is built into the body. An ingenious arrangement of elevators overcomes all shovelling, as both the clean grain and screenings are delivered direct to wagons.

Apart from motor about the only outlay was for wood and zinc used for making the shoe and sieves. This machine was used in conjunction with a 36-inch Aultman and Taylor separator at threshing time and, since threshing, has made enough money this fall and winter by cleaning grain for neighbors to more than pay for the total cash outlay for its construction.



HON. T. A. CRERAR



Carberry poultry raisers have a good word for J. Johnston's dogs



### Separating Barley from Durum

A Guide subscriber asks how barley may best be extracted from durum wheat. The comment of Prof. Weiner, of the Manitoba Agricultural College, is that seed cleaning machinery is designed to separate mixtures in which the seeds differ in size, shape and weight; air blast is depended on to make the separation by weight, while sieves sort out the seeds of differing size and shape. Experience with most of the ordinary fanning mills is that there is not enough difference between barley and durum in either weight, shape or size to make the separation. Prof. Shanks of the same institution suggests that cupped cylinders, such as those found on the Carter disc machines will do the job. The Guide will be glad to hear from any reader who has any experience with this problem.

### Big Seeding Outfit

C. C. Wager, Federal, Alta., sends The Guide a drawing of a drill hitch which he has used for four years. "I have drilled from 500 to 700 acres each year with this outfit," he says. "It has proved entirely satisfactory to us and I thought I would like to pass it along if you can publish it before spring."

"The tongues are all taken out of the drills and some of the holes in the frame where the tongues are bolted, can be used. In some makes of drills it will be necessary to use V bolts to fasten the hitch to the drill frame. In coupling the V-shaped parts to the 3 x 12 in front, use nothing lighter than iron 2 1/2 x 3/4. If lighter iron is used it will bend. Use 3/4-inch bolts with lock nuts in front ends of these flat irons. If lighter bolts are used they will cut in the wood, as of course, as seen in the drawing, this bolt must pull the drill. If 10-foot drills are used, the holes in the 3 x 12 x 12 must be bored exactly 10 feet apart so as to make the drills track right. For this 3-inch stuff I used good fir bridge plank."

### No Cumbersome Hitch

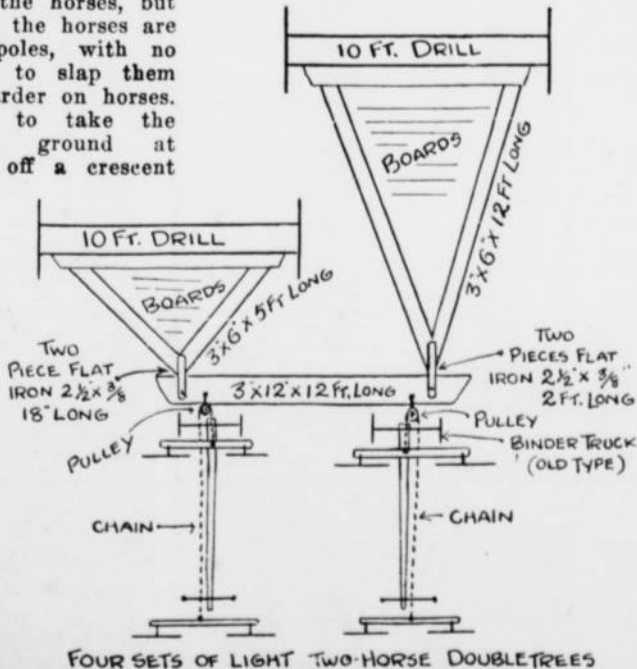
"The horse hitch itself is very simple and light as you will notice there are no four-horse double trees. Just four sets of light eveners, two pulleys and two chains. On the one side the two leaders equalize against the two wheelers and the same on the other. The four on one side equalize against the four on the other on the two 3/4-inch bolts by which the drills are coupled. You can carry a few sacks of grain on the rear platform, for in drilling around a large field some drills will not hold enough seed. Then again, if the field gets smaller, you can, by this means, make several rounds without driving to the wagon to fill up."

"You can turn to the left as short as you like, square about if necessary, but to the right there is room enough only to get around trees and sloughs. You stand while driving on the front platform, where you are close to the wheel track, or sit on the front drill box as a seat."

### Saving on Horses

"It will seem to some to be strung out a long way from the horses, but owing to the fact that the horses are free from the drill poles, with no neck weight or poles to slap them around, it seems no harder on horses. It is not necessary to take the drills out of the ground at the corner. Just cut off a crescent at each turn of a corner which will measure 20 feet from tip to tip, then when you are finished run up each corner and the drills will cover all the misses."

"In spacing the distance between the two sets of binder trucks along the 3 x 12, set them in from the holes where the drills are coupled just so as to give room for two horses between the poles of the trucks so as to make the eight horses work together as a nice solid unit."



C. C. Wager's eight-horse drilling outfit

### Not Too Dry for Strawberries

In the spring of 1923 we secured about 75 Dakota strawberry plants from the Scott Experimental Farm. We were given the privilege of digging the plants out of the old bed ourselves, but not having had previous experience with strawberries, fully half the plants we took were either too old or too immature to stand replanting. Possibly not more than 20 of them were good, strong, young plants, showing three or four crowns and a good bunch of yellow roots. However, we put them all in, though it is quite a trick to get them neither too deep or too shallow—that is with all the roots well spread out and covered with moist soil, without letting the dry top soil overflow on to the crowns.

These were planted on the east side of a small windbreak about two years old. Quite a number of the plants died out as I neglected to mulch them that fall. The following spring saw a formidable casualty list, only about 15 having survived. That spring we secured another lot from Scott to fill up the blanks. About the middle of June, when everything was beginning to look good in the strawberry patch, 10 young pigs discovered it, and before I knew what was up had spoiled things for another year.

Last summer we enjoyed several feeds of good-sized fruit, though the patch had not thickened up as well as I should have liked to have seen it.

Last spring we set out 100 Progressive and 50 Hanska plants, the latter thickened up well, show great promise for next year. Only about 40 of the Progressives struck. These we kept free of buds and blossoms until harvest, when other amusements intervened. Just before freeze-up the neglected Progressives were loaded down with fruit, mostly green, I will admit, though our two sons, aged six and two, respectively, may have something to do with that!

Our conclusions regarding strawberry culture are as follows:

It is necessary to obtain good, strong, young plants, showing two or three crowns, a healthy bunch of yellow roots. They should be planted as early as possible in the spring. The row should not be closer than six feet to the shelter-belt, and if convenient, considerably further.

A straw mulch seems to be well worth the trouble.

If possible have your strawberries adjacent to a slough or well, in case of dry weather during June.—F. J. Whiting, Traynor, Sask.

### Bad Baling Hurts Sale of Hay

Faulty baling practices which destroy the keeping qualities and appearance of Canadian hay have created a prejudice against it in United States markets. Shipping hay which has been wet with rain or snow either before or at the time of baling or while hauling to cars has caused no end of trouble. Such hay may remain sound so long as it is kept loosely piled and in cool

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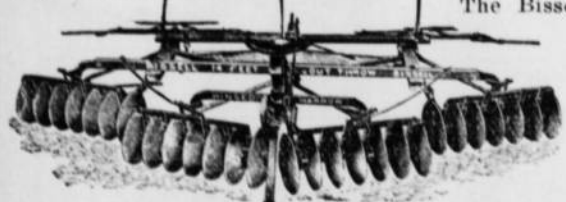
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storage, but once it is loaded into un-ventilated cars and shipped to southern markets with warmer climates deterioration commences. Centres of bales become mouldy and even rotten, and at the same time these bales may appear comparatively sound on the surface

Because of their experiences with such shipments buyers in United States markets have become prejudiced against Canadian hay, and hesitate to purchase it except at a discount in price that will protect them against probable loss. Canadian shippers in turn do not like winter pressed hay for shipments to southern markets for fear it may spoil in transit and be rejected on arrival.

Baling stained and damaged hay such as occurs on the sides and bottoms of stacks and under leaky roofs is another bad practice. No buyer wants such hay because he does not consider it fit for feed. Whether carelessly included or deliberately concealed it results in dissatisfied customers, places the shipper in a bad light and kills future business. "Seedy" bales resulting from failure to keep press boxes cleaned out are very common in Canadian hay and do not sell well.

With hay, as with other commodities, an attractive appearance is an important selling factor. Bales of all sizes, weights and shapes tagged with anything from slips of cardboard to chips of wood and carelessly loaded in cars have given too much Canadian hay an unattractive appearance which has made for slow sales at reduced prices.

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"Two years ago The Guide published a very good article called Sweet Clover's Fourteen Points. I humbly submit that while sweet clover is a good legume with which to 'break wheat farmers in,' alfalfa is superior in almost every respect. Once you have learned its value, you will never be without it. The appended list of 12 points, which I clipped from a bulletin recently issued from Ottawa, sums up the value of alfalfa according to my experience, and I offer it in rebuttal to The Guide article on sweet clover":

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7. Because alfalfa may be used as silage or cut green as a soiling crop with good results.

8. Because alfalfa can be ground into a meal of excellent feeding value. There seems to be an opportunity for the development of a profitable alfalfa-meal trade in Canada with a Canadian-manufactured product.

9. Because alfalfa has the property of enriching the soil with nitrogen gathered from the air.

10. Because alfalfa makes an excellent pasture if pastured intelligently and not over grazed.

11. Because the deep root-system of alfalfa, besides enabling it to extract plant food from the subsoil, also opens up the subsoil.

12. Because the decaying alfalfa roots, stems, and leaves enrich the soil by adding considerable amounts of humus.—Wm. Robertson.

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# The M.A.C. Collapsible Crate

A handy device to facilitate the work of culling poultry

By F. B. Hutt

THE culling crate shown in the accompanying illustrations is a convenience that will save time, trouble and temper wherever poultry is kept.

The most unpleasant feature about culling has been the difficulty of catching the hens. In the past this very necessary part of the proceedings has usually required more time than the actual examination of the birds. Lost time was not the only consideration. Any farmer who has once pursued a hundred wild-eyed skittering Leghorns in a 28 by 14 house, and caught them with hook, net or main strength and awkwardness, can be expected to depart in haste for the farthest field when next the farm pup announces the culler's arrival.

The hens do not like the catching business either, and the result often shows in the egg yield, particularly in flocks of the lighter and more nervous breeds.

These drawbacks of the past were practically eliminated in the 1925 culling campaign of the Manitoba Agricultural College Extension Service by the use of the crate described herewith.

Culling crates hitherto used have been of heavy rigid construction, more like a market crate, and much too awkward and heavy to be carried from farm to farm. The new M.A.C. crate is patterned after a collapsible one used at the Department of Poultry Husbandry, University of Wisconsin, which, however, did not fold compactly and was too heavy and awkward for easy transportation in a car. The M.A.C. culling crate, designed by R. Mitchell, of the Department of Agricultural Engineering, folds into a flat, compact bundle, three feet six inches by two feet six inches by four inches. It can be easily carried on the running board or in the back seat of a car and can stand much rough handling. Those used this year were made of British Columbia spruce, and weighed only 21½ pounds each.

The construction of the crate is shown in the accompanying diagrams, and little further description is necessary. It consists of a top, two sides and one end. The latter is fastened to the top by special hinges, which permit the end to swing up

through three-quarters of a circle instead of half a circle, as with ordinary hinges. Thus, when it is desired to fold up the crate, the end is made to lie right on the top. For this purpose, hinges made of leather strap will serve satisfactorily. A pair of hooks hold the end to the sides when the crate is being used.

The two sides fold underneath the top. In the diagram in "Section through A-B," the left side folds in first and lies flat against the top. The hinges on the right side are set down an inch so this side can fold flatly

beneath the other. This is possible because the top board extends down an inch. Actually it is a piece two inches square from which one-quarter has been cut out. This means that to make the crate level the side frame on this side must be only one foot ten inches high though the other is one foot eleven inches.

The method of using the crate is shown in the photograph. The open end is shoved up to the trap door of the chicken house and the hens are driven out into the crate. When there are 15 or 20 in the crate the trap door is shut and the birds can be taken out for examination one at a time through the small hinged door in the top of the crate. Every poultry house ought to have a small trap door. Where there is none the crate may be placed against the door and a binder canvas or blanket tacked up to keep the hens from flying out. Someone inside can then close the door, or if the door opens outward, drop the canvas down over the end of the crate to keep the hens from going back in. The photograph shows this scheme in operation on a farm in the Killarney district.

The use of the crate requires a certain amount of skill in driving hens. This is quite an art in itself. The main thing is to keep the hens quiet. When one goes through into the crate, more will usually follow at once. A runway cut in the main door of the hen-house is undesirable, because this door cannot be easily opened and shut when the crate is against it. In such a case someone must stay inside during the whole performance. With a good trap door near one corner of the house two persons can drive 15 or 20 hens into



A collapsible culling crate in use

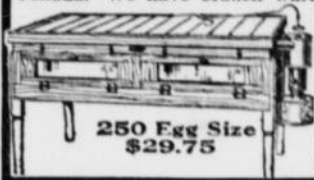
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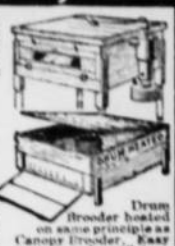
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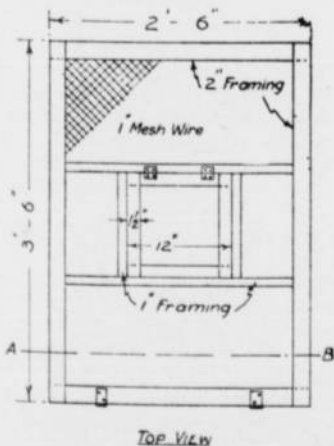
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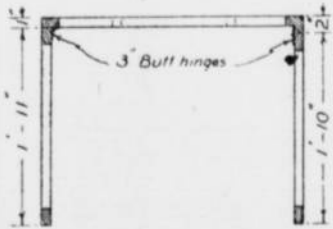
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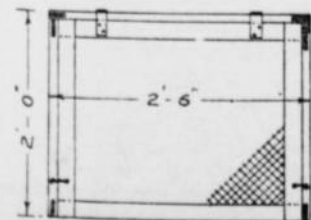
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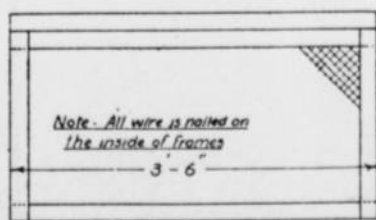
TOP VIEW



SECTION THRU A-B



END VIEW



SIDE VIEW

Note: All wire is nailed on the inside of frames

R. Mitchell  
Eng. Dept. MAC

Working drawing of the M.A.C. collapsible poultry culling crate

the crate in two or three minutes, and both can then return outside and do the actual culling in five minutes. With careful driving the hens will not become frightened and there will be very little dust. It will be necessary for persons outside the house to keep far enough way not to scare the hens.

The crate will prove a valuable aid not only for culling but at any of the several times in a year when part or all of the flock must be caught, whether it be for marketing, moving or dusting for lice. Not many farmers will want to carry the crate from place to place as the cullers do. Nevertheless, a collapsible crate has an advantage over any other in that it can be folded up and stored away safely in a very small place.

### Saskatchewan's 1925 Butter Make

The annual report of the Saskatchewan Dairy Branch informs us that the dairy industry in that province has made another stride ahead in the past year, not so large as in former years but still a healthy gain.

The increase in creamery butter manufactured was 168,000 pounds, the total output in the year being 5,126,000 pounds.

### Gratitude

We wish to thank the many friends for the expressions of sympathy and for their assistance in the death of my husband.—From a "Card of Thanks" in a Kentucky paper.



# THE DOMINION BANK

## Fifty-fifth Annual Statement

The Fifty-fifth Annual General Meeting of The Dominion Bank was held at the Head Office, in Toronto, on Wednesday, January 27, 1926, at which the following Statement of the Profit and Loss Account and the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank as on December 31, 1925, was presented:

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st December, 1924 .....	\$ 900,124.87
Profits for the year, after deducting charges of management and making full provision for bad and doubtful debts .....	1,156,840.43
	<u>\$ 2,056,965.30</u>

Which amount has been disposed of as follows:

Dividends (quarterly) at Twelve per cent. per annum .....	\$ 720,000.00
Bonus, one per cent. ....	60,000.00
Total distribution to Shareholders of Thirteen per cent. for the year.....	\$ 780,000.00
Contribution to Officers' Pension Fund .....	45,000.00
Dominion and Provincial Government Taxation .....	167,667.14
Written off Bank Premises .....	100,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward .....	964,298.16
	<u>\$ 2,056,965.30</u>

### GENERAL STATEMENT LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in .....	\$ 6,000,000.00
Reserve Fund .....	7,000,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward .....	964,298.16
Dividend No. 173, payable 2nd January, 1926 .....	180,000.00
Bonus, One per cent., payable 2nd January, 1926 .....	60,000.00
Former Dividends unclaimed .....	72.00
	<u>8,204,370.16</u>
Total Liabilities to the Shareholders .....	\$ 14,204,370.16
Notes of the Bank in Circulation .....	7,117,396.00
Deposits not bearing interest .....	\$19,942,148.42
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date 76,285,014.44 .....	96,227,162.86
Advances under the Finance Act .....	2,628,403.57
Balances due to other Banks in Canada .....	1,204,407.07
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada .....	70,075.77
Bills Payable .....	5,888,697.85
Letters of Credit Outstanding .....	592,623.01
Liabilities not included in the foregoing .....	113,728,766.13
Total Public Liabilities .....	<u>\$127,933,136.29</u>

### ASSETS

Gold and Silver Coin, current .....	\$ 2,124,660.41
Dominion Government Notes .....	10,346,995.25
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves .....	1,200,000.00
Notes of other Banks .....	773,100.00
United States and other Foreign Currencies .....	167,869.39
Cheques on other Banks .....	8,567,251.01
Balances due by other Banks in Canada .....	15.40
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada .....	2,938,405.41
	<u>\$26,118,296.87</u>
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value .....	17,085,344.57
Canadian Municipal Securities, and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian, not exceeding market value .....	5,280,475.82
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value .....	2,918,305.91
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans in Canada on Stocks, Debentures and Bonds and other Securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover .....	15,558,056.38
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans elsewhere than in Canada on Stocks, Debentures and Bonds and other Securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover .....	4,630,707.87
	<u>\$ 71,591,187.42</u>
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest) after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts .....	\$43,085,679.33
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest) after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts .....	498,012.04
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra .....	5,888,697.85
Real Estate other than Bank Premises .....	71,913.16
Non-Current Loans, estimated loss provided for .....	279,884.29
Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off .....	5,937,823.18
Deposit with the Minister of Finance for the purposes of the Circulation Fund .....	314,650.00
Mortgages on Real Estate sold .....	20,286.37
Other Assets not included in the foregoing .....	245,002.65
	<u>56,341,948.87</u>
NOTE—Included in Call and Short Loans in Canada are advances against documents covering Grain and Flour, aggregating \$7,377,599.00.	<u>\$127,933,136.29</u>

A. W. AUSTIN, President.

C. A. BOGERT, General Manager.

### AUDITORS' REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS

We Report to the Shareholders of the Dominion Bank:

That we have audited the above Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1925, and compared it with the books and vouchers at Head Office and with the certified returns from the Branches. We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required, and in our opinion the transactions of the Bank which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank.

In our opinion the Balance Sheet discloses the true condition of the Bank and is as shown by the books of the Bank.

A. B. SHEPHERD, C.A.,  
of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.  
PERCY C. BAXTER, C.A.,  
of Macintosh, Cole and Robertson.

Toronto, January 19, 1926.

### A Home-made Trailer

As many of our readers at this time of the year are planning to make a trailer, perhaps the following description of a home-made trailer one of our readers made and used for several years, may be of interest:

"To make it, I bought two wheels intended for the front wheels of a heavy spring wagon, 42 inches in diameter, and a standard axle for them. I placed a bolster spring on the axle with the proper clips, the same being one of a pair which was rated at 2,000 pounds capacity; thus the one had 1,000 pounds capacity. On top of the spring I bolted a piece of a wagon tongue about eight feet long, it being bolted to the spring midway between the wheels. This formed a pole or tongue for the trailer, and it was braced on both sides by  $\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  strap steel which was clipped to the axle near the wheel and bolted to the tongue about five feet from the axle. This forms a unit similar to the rear axle unit of a chassis.

"Resting on the spring and on the tongue, I built a box or body, with the usual irons and removable endgates. It has three-point suspension, two on the spring and one on the tongue, and thus is flexible. It is not balanced equally over the axle as the commercially-made two-wheel trailers are, for after trial this way I did not find it satisfactory. A better way is to have it so placed that two-thirds of the box is in front of the wheels, thus the rear of the auto carries a part of the load. I found there was less sideways, greater steadiness, and less power was required, consequently higher speeds were possible with less wear on both car and trailer, and less gasoline was used than when the load on the trailer was evenly balanced over the wheels. After using the trailer three years I have found there is a great deal in this point, being of help in the matter of loading. I have tried it out both ways.

### An Important Feature

"Now as to the hitch. This too has been the subject of much experimentation on my part, and I have found that the best way is to have a  $\frac{1}{2}$  bolt come right down through the rear-cross-member of the wooden frame of the car body, with threads on the lower end. I bought a factory-made cast-iron swivel hitch from one of the makers of trailers and put it on the end of the tongue. I tried several home-made devices, but was unable to get one that gives the satisfaction this one does.

"A hitch is required that is flexible up and down as well as sidewise, and withal strong enough to carry a part of the load as well as to pull. With the placing of the body and load as mentioned above, the swivel will have quite a downward pressure upon it. It slips right on to the bolt, and is held there by the nut; and for safety in case the threads should strip, and as a locking device to keep the nuts from jarring off, I use two nuts, and sometimes put a lockwasher between them.

"This trailer has filled the bill. I have carried baled hay, a potato digger, feed, potatoes, anything up to 800 to 900 pounds in weight under ordinary road conditions. I carried a year-old bull 25 miles over hilly country with six inches of fresh snow on the ground, and brought back another one. I put 1,635 pounds of potatoes on both trailer and car and took them off to town with ease.

"While this sort of use no doubt wears the car faster than ordinary use, still I have the same car I started with, and it has done heavier work than this, too, with one of the tractor attachments that is on the market. I believe that the automobile can be made very helpful, aside from its use as a passenger car, without abusing it, if judgment and extra care are used."

We should be glad to have trailer experiences from other readers, with sketches, photographs, and costs.

### In the Great Open Spaces

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## Colored Ribbon

By Leslie Gordon Barnard

(Continued from Last Week)

**Q**UIET was restored in Larette by eleven. By noon the last of the Upper Mill stalwarts had withdrawn, minus most of their money, but content with the break in the monotonous round of bunks and work and meals, and work and bunks again. There was talk on this matter for many a day. Also there were rumors aplenty. Claude Grasson's body, still with the breath of life in it, had been rescued and spirited away by his comrades of the self-styled band, "Les Apaches du Nord." It was said with a constitution like his death would have a long quarrel with life, and small chance of victory.

"Well for the Englishman he should leave at once," said the men who knew Grasson and his friends. "Even in Montreal he will scarcely be safe."

The news reached the ears of Wemyss. Head swathed in a bandage whose presence he resented, he lay now in the Cormier house, his big form stretched on a couch near the fireplace, a cigarette between his lips.

"Tell them where they can go," he said shortly, dismissing the idea, and young Desrosiers who bore it to him.

Madame supported him in this. "Do not trouble him," she ordered. "Does not the doctor say he is to lie perfectly quiet?"

She sat beside him until he became drowsy, then hurried off to attend to certain chores and borrowings from the neighbors that would at least cover an opportunity for excited gossip. A small object took her place beside the man, pressing a wet muzzle against his hand. "Hullo, Pytoul!" he said drowsily. "What's become of your mistress—eh?"

It became evident that the dog wanted him to go. Wemyss set foot cautiously on the floor, and rose unsteadily. Pytoul wagged a stubby tail and led on upstairs. The man followed. At the door of the room that was Celeste's he paused, but the dog thrust its nose against the panels and whimpered. Wemyss knocked gently, but the dog's impetuosity had already availed. The door swung open. Celeste, upon her knees praying for her man, did not hear at first. Then—

"M'sieu!" She sprang to her feet, flushed, her eyes red with weeping, but tears for the moment giving place to anger. "Is it not enough that you should—take him—from me?"

"Celeste! I know nothing. Tell me of Emile."

She stared at him. Then she told him. She saw his forehead wrinkle oddly, and his mouth grow stern.

"I do not believe it," he said, and repeated it. "I shall find him for you, Celeste. Why did they not tell me?—stupid!"

Her womanly senses returned to her upon the heels of more personal emotions.

"Oh, but you are ill, m'sieu." And my father is away with the horse and rig."

"I will saddle the mare. She is used to it since I came."

"Oh, but you cannot—"

He grinned.

"I was in at the finish once, Celeste, after a slight concussion over an argument with a fence. I can sit a saddle better than a seat on these roads."

She put a hand on his arm quickly, smothering her own desire.

"The—the girl from Surrey is not here to bid you be careful, M'sieu!"

"I fear she would not greatly care, Celeste."

He turned and went downstairs, heading stableward. She remembered the letter, guiltily. The letter, as her intuition insisted, from the girl from Surrey. The girl who on that night of war long months and years ago now, had stooped to kiss . . .

She went outside to watch, anxiously, his saddling of the mare. With action, strength seemed to have returned to both of them. In the stableyard she found M'sieu in conversation with someone, a rough-appearing youth with a cap pulled

well down over his eyes.

After a moment the youth handed the Englishman a slip of paper, and disappeared through a low hedge. She approached, but Wemyss did not see her. He stabled the mare again. She waited tremblingly.

"What is it, M'sieu?"

He took her shoulders in his big hands, and smiled down at her.

"You promise to tell nothing of this—to anyone?"

"Not if you wish it so, M'sieu."

"It means," he said, crumpling up the note, "that Emile is not dead. It seems I am right—I must go and fetch him for you. But until he comes you must tell no one—understand?"

She paled, flushed, trembled between uncontrollable joy and fear almost as great, she knew not why. Wemyss strode into the house ahead of her. He stood for a moment before the fire, smoothed out the note again, read it once more, nodded gravely, crumpled it up and tossed it into the fire, and, turning on his heel quickly, went out whistling tunelessly.

Celeste, watching keenly, saw her opportunity. A little vagrant gust of air had caught the paper, snatching it, partly scorched, from the flames. As soon as M'sieu had gone, she rescued it, and read:

" . . . We know you for what you are. Come, as directed by the messenger, to-morrow morning just after dawn. You will be met on the western trail, and conveyed to Duvarney, who then goes in safety. There is a bet on among us that, brave as you are, you cannot run les Rapides du Cheval Noir. It will be a brave adventure. Otherwise Duvarney runs them in your place. You will of course come quite alone, and will be watched. The messenger will already have your word of honor to keep silence and destroy this note."

A step sounded behind her.

"Put that in the fire, Celeste!"

"M'sieu, what does it mean?"

"It means," said Wemyss, "that a little feud Emile and I have been mixed up in is coming to a climax."

"But, M'sieu, no one has ever safely run the rapids, so men say."

"That," replied the Englishman, smiling down at her, "is the point of this delightful little note. You must remember your promise, Celeste. I am quite convinced in my own mind that either Emile or I are to prove the truth of what men say."

Celeste was up before dawn on the morrow. A cold mist enveloped the countryside. M'sieu would be glad of hot coffee and bacon and toast before the long ride that he would have. Monsieur Cormier and Madame slept peacefully upstairs, unconscious of this stirring of evil portent. Celeste had never seen Les Rapides du Cheval Noir, but by reputation she knew them well, and had seen pictures showing the upper reaches of white water, and the dreaded whirlpool below, to which inevitably, so it was said, all things that passed down must come and feel its sucking power. She shivered anew at the thought and made haste to light the fire in the great fireplace before which she drew the table from which they would eat. She poured coffee for herself to encourage her appetite and spirits.

"You are very quiet, Celeste!" he said. "Come, you must send me away with a smile."

"I am thinking, M'sieu," she said, in the same low tone that he employed, lest her parents, for all their soundness of slumber, wake, "of Armand Carignan who went once to see a—a poor man executed at the county seat. He told us of it after. Of it I remember only that they gave him, poor fellow, a breakfast first, in the coldness of the dawn, and then— Oh, M'sieu, I know it cannot be true that they would carry out this threat, for the rapids mean death."

"Celeste," he said, setting down his cup, "I am going to tell you something—something I want you to remember, something I want you to do. I was born,

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I think, Celeste, with what we call a yellow streak tucked away in me somewhere—a throwback from some old Johnnie among my more illustrious ancestors. As a boy I fought against it, and through my college days. Later, through family influence, I got a commission in a crack regiment. Everything went well until one day, when I happened to get into a rather nasty mess, the yellow streak showed up. Peace time affair, too—but there it was!" Wemyss paused, staring hard at the dregs of his coffee. He seemed almost to have forgotten the girl. He said: "I can remember my last interview with the colonel. The old man stood up and faced me in silence for a time. Then—'Wemyss', he said—'gad, how clearly I can see him now, and hear the little break in his voice—'you've no right longer to wear our colors, Wemyss,' he said. We always, in mufti—ordinary clothes you know—wore the faintest touch of blue and green and gold in our hats or lapels, and almighty proud we were of it. 'But,' says the C.O., 'I'm going to give you this little bit of ribbon. Some day, it may be in some far off place, where destiny or duty take you, I want you to wear that again because, on your strictest honor as a gentleman, you feel your old regiment would regain its pride in you—that by a great deed a great error might be cancelled.' Wemyss rose and put another log on the fire. 'I've always carried it since, Celeste. I've never worn it. When I came to Canada I thought the Mounted Police might be my sphere. I'd been with them six months or more when my luck threw me in with one rotter in a corking lot. We clashed at last on a trail that led up this way, the trail of a chap who'd been kicking up a dust out west. Located him up this way. It was while I was here I met Emile, of

course. He came to us with the story of the murder of his brother. Well, anyway, we'd pretty well cornered our man, although we'd not actually got our eyes on him, and started off to get him. It was a ticklish job and this other chap, who was my senior, decided I better do the trick. By a mischance my man got away; somebody must have tipped him off. Coulton—that was my senior's name—odd fellow, chucked from the force later on, I believe—anyway he accused me of being yellow, and pulled the old story on me. Heaven knows where he got it from. I stuck the thing until the war broke out, then I enlisted. I thought maybe the war would give me my chance. Didn't! Got an easy enough blighty from a stray shot that put me out for keeps and—there you are. Came back, and fancied a time up north here. Looked up Duvarney, and from something he said it flashed across me that the murderer of Emile's brother and my old quarry—still being looked for by the force—were one. He had grown bold, and gathered a group of boon companions, who, as you know, terrorized the district on their occasional sprees, styling themselves, jestingly, 'Les Apaches du Nord.' I managed to secure a warrant, and authority to carry out that old commission. And—here we are."

Wemyss swallowed his last cup of coffee with a gulp, and rose again. He pulled from his pocket a bit of colored ribbon—blue and green and gold. His face flushed a little, boyishly, in embarrassment.

"I've cut it in half," he explained. "If I—shouldn't come back, Celeste, will you just stick that piece in this envelope and mail it. I've put a card of explanation in."

"Ah, M'sieu—for her!"

"No, Celeste."

He handed her the envelope. It was



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Celeste's face fell. All of romance  
had seemed to centre in this thing, so  
greatly so that the implications of it,  
in all their horror, were for the moment  
swallowed up.

"Stupid that I am!" she cried sud-  
denly, flushed with remorse. "To twice  
forget the letter!"

He fingered the envelope she brought  
him. It had evidently followed him  
around for some time. He picked a  
knife from the table to slit it open,  
then changed his mind.

"No, Celeste!" he said, a little  
grimly. "Let him who thinketh he  
standeth—I'll open it—later on. It  
might be weakness to me, rather than  
strength now. Then it will not matter  
which way it goes."

From the door she watched him  
saddle and mount the mare. He had  
discarded his bandage, and the cut in  
his head, with its single strip of plaster,  
showed livid in the earliest red rays.

In the chill of morning one could see  
one's breath. The first real frost had  
descended upon the land overnight.  
Celeste gathered her cloak about her.  
Fear returned, for a moment piercing  
the numbing unreality of this evil time  
—fear for himself, for the one he went  
to succor. Pytou came bounding along,  
forgetful of recent sorrow, playful in  
the crispness of the day.

"Away, Pytou!" ordered Celeste,  
sharply.

She watched the rider pass through  
the gate to the roadway, turn, and wave  
to her in brave reassurance. Then the  
mist blotted him out, even before the  
trees, russet-leaved already, could take  
him from her sight. Pytou, abashed,  
watched mournfully, head on one side,  
as Celeste turned and went unseeing  
into the house.

The Cormier farmhouse lay asleep in  
the sun. Celeste, busy with the dishes  
in the summer kitchen at the side,  
worked at times in feverish haste, and  
at others remained for moments neg-  
lectful of her task. In the one she  
was prompted by an optimistic sense  
of instant arrival—as if the dishes  
would not be done and away before  
Emile came. In the other a cold terror  
petrified her. It was incredible that  
the swift stroke of evil such as this  
should have place in as quiet, and sunny  
and smiling a countryside. Over at the  
Carignan place a cheap gramophone—  
pride of a district that knew no other  
similar wonder—blared out popular airs,  
mingling in domestic sounds, dominated  
by the crying of the latest of Carig-  
nan's brood of 12, which he confidently  
boasted he would raise to a full score!  
Most ordinary sounds on an ordinary  
day of early autumn. Emile would be  
in from the fields presently, and M'sieu  
from urging the unwilling mare into an  
unaccustomed canter.

M'sieu and the mare!

A rider spurring away into the cold  
"You have set aside M'sieu's dinner,  
Celeste?" said Madame, her mother,  
entering upon these conflicting thoughts.  
"I confess I cannot understand this  
folly. Where has he gone? And when  
did he say he would be back?"

"He did not say," replied Celeste,  
numbly.

If only she might tell her mother—  
or someone, but was not her promise  
with the Englishman?

She finished the dishes, and going  
out sat on the steps, grateful for the  
comforting warmth of the sunshine,  
fondling Pytou abstractedly. At the  
sound of wheels Pytou cocked one ear,  
then drifted back into after-dinner  
sommolence, as if the coming of M.  
Chouffon's antiquated rig was of small  
concern. The coming, however, broke  
startlingly in upon Celeste's broodings.  
A girl, free-limbed, fresh-faced, almost  
masculine in her apparel, descended.  
She was a big girl, but so proportioned  
that this was not noticeable until she  
stood face to face with the petite  
Celeste.

"I was informed that I should find  
Mr. Wemyss here," she said, in excel-  
lent French. She smiled upon Celeste a  
little ruefully. "I do hope it's true. I  
have come a long way to find him."

Generous tears filled the eyes of  
Celeste, evoked by so suffocating an  
emotion that she could not speak at first.  
Then she burst out with "Oh, mam'selle

—your pardon, but it is so? You are  
the girl from Surrey!"

Native courtesy triumphed over con-  
flicting emotions. Later she could  
think of the implications of this strange  
thing that had come to pass.

"Please come in," she invited. "You  
must be tired and hungry. We will get  
you something to eat at once."

Madame, her mother, being hastily  
summoned, greeted the stranger with a  
shyness that her own excitement and  
love of conversation quickly dispelled.

"Ah, Mam'selle," she shrilled, "it  
is well enough that you have come to  
look after him. Such a man—to be  
riding off since early this morning, and  
not well at all at that. Nobody  
knows—"

"The kettle, my mother!" interposed  
Celeste quickly.

"When do you expect him back  
then?" asked the girl from Surrey.

"I do not know," replied Celeste, in  
a low tone.

She turned away lest her frightened  
eyes betray her. Perhaps, without  
breaking her promise, she might pre-  
pare Mam'selle with news of last  
night's riotous doings. The girl nodded  
understanding.

"I saw the burned building as I  
came. The driver said there was some  
trouble, and that Harry—that Mr.  
Wemyss was in it."

"He acted very bravely," cried  
Celeste, her throat fluttering and her  
eyes moist. She added, in quick pride:  
"My Emile was there also, with him.  
When he comes he will tell you more."

When he came! The words almost  
died in her throat. What if he did not  
come? What if this trap, having taken  
the one, was but opening for the other?

And what if Emile came—alone? The  
girl from Surrey stood by the window,  
drawing the curtains aside a little, as  
if to watch the road down which a  
mare and her rider might come gaily  
back through the filtering sunshine.  
What if M'sieu came back, beaten in  
his task, and Emile—

"Either Emile or I," M'sieu had  
said, in his quiet way.

Celeste glanced piteously at the girl  
from Surrey. Through which heart—or  
both?—must the shaft pierce?

Afternoon waned. With the length-  
ening shadows an uneasy hush fell upon  
the house of Cormier—or so it seemed  
to the girl, Celeste. Or was it merely  
in her own heart that this prescience  
grew apace? The English girl, having  
rested a little in Celeste's own attic  
room, with the window wide open to  
the blue autumn distance, came down  
the narrow steps. There was an ancient  
piano in one corner, an heirloom never  
touched, save for purposes of cleanliness,  
by the present generation. With a  
questioning glance at Celeste, she  
opened it, and fingered the long-silent  
keys. Dampness and disuse had had  
their way, but the room was filled with  
golden magic for Celeste—so poignant,  
so wonderful, she thought her heart  
would burst. Mam'selle was singing  
softly:

"God send you back to me,  
Over the mighty sea—"

It was a song from out the war years,  
sung in many a barrack hut and estami-  
net, and by many an open campfire, but  
Celeste did not know this. Intuition  
aided her slight understanding of the  
words.

"... He will send you back to me."

The music ceased. The swift twilight  
of Canadian autumn gave place to the  
fast falling dusk. In the kitchen at  
the side, Madame moved ever so softly,  
that she might listen. Silence and  
darkness seemed to close in upon these  
two who waited. Imminence of fear  
brought new agony to Celeste. She  
could restrain herself no longer. The  
music had too deeply touched the para-  
lyzed chords of her being, setting them  
quivering. She knelt impetuously by  
the knees of the girl from Surrey, and  
cried sobbingly:

"Oh, Mam'selle, Mam'selle!"

The girl from across the water took  
Celeste in her arms with tender  
strength. Her own cheeks were blanched  
a little now.

"Come, Celeste, you must tell me  
your trouble."

"I cannot. Oh, I cannot!"

"You fear, perhaps, about your  
Emile?"

Celeste nodded dumbly. She managed

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to whisper presently: "And for M'sieu Wemyss also."

Outside the door Pytou barked in sudden joy. The girls sprang to their feet. There came the sound of footsteps on the walk, quick footsteps, as of one alone. . . . Now on the steps . . . the porch itself . . . By no power could Celeste bring herself to open the door and see whose coming set Pytou barking in the madcap friendliness that only Emile or M'sieu could evoke. She saw the solid wooden door swinging back, with a click of the latch. A man's figure, swaying a little with exhaustion, stood in the doorway, but Celeste did not see. The blindness of fear was upon her.

"Celeste!" said M'sieu, from the doorway.

Celeste had read of fine ladies in silks and satins, who swooned at moments of crisis; such things did not happen to humble folk in homespun. They just kept going, pushed on by life and its duties past the place of shadows. So it had been with her mother at the going of her first-born, led by a venturesome spirit out into this world; so it had been when Nanette slipped sweetly into the world next door to this, from whence there is return for none save Him to whom the Cure pointed for resurrection hope. It was harvest time when Nanette went so suddenly, and there were many extra mouths to feed, and life and its duties had kept her mother going—moving on with the tide of remaining life.

So it would be with her, Celeste—without Emile. Mealtimes would come and go without change; night would give place to dawn, morning to afternoon, and twilight would not stay its coming because Emile could not share that sweet and quiet hour. Days in their appointed round; seasons in their order. Autumn, already upon the land; winter to follow, with festivities to which one drove miles, with the way none too long when cosily under the robes beside the youth one loved best.

"Celeste"

Could it be only seconds since M'sieu spoke before; that his eyes had been on her in all this time of flashing thought, nor wandered yet to that shadowy corner, where, demurely, the girl from Surrey waited?

"M'sieu!"

"Do not be alarmed! Get my bed ready quickly—for Emile. Nothing serious girl. A bit of concussion maybe that has made him forget everything else since. As soon as you are ready I will carry him in from the rig."

Celeste stood as a statue.

"Make haste, Celeste!"

She turned, and fled upstairs. In joy as in grief one must keep going, pushed on by the duties of life!

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**Field Lessons of 1925**  
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some of these awnless kota selections showed less than other wheats. In the past season a number of different strains were sown. Some of the most promising are awnless or beardless and closely resemble the Marquis type of head and grain. The grains are short and full whereas Kota grains are longer and more narrow, showing a strain of the durum characters. Some other selections resemble the Kitchener type of head and grain and also some square headed or compact forms. Some are early maturing and others later. The earliest maturing forms showed no traces of rust, the later maturing left standing till late in the season, showed little traces of rust and in some selections less than Kota growing alongside. These selections are due to a natural cross that had taken place in my nursery plots and is not the only instance. The Red Bobs is a natural cross, produced in 1910, and I am not sure but that my Minister Red selection is also a natural cross, as they have also broken up into a number of distinct types.

**Australian Varieties Looks Good**

Other promising selections with resistance to rust resistance are one or two Australian wheats that also have shown good resistance. In the past season, one

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selection of this wheat showed decided resistance. While the same wheat on either side showed traces more or less this one was practically free when left standing late in the season. One other Australian durum wheat has also shown high resistance each season and again in 1925.

I have mentioned a few selections that are immune, if not entirely resistant to traces of rust in the stems. These rust-resistant plots are sowed later in the season than the other plots in order that they may have good opportunity to be attacked by rust than those sown earlier. Without being unduly optimistic, I feel confident that out of some of this material it may be possible to evolve one or more selections that will be immune to rust and will come to full maturity, even if slight traces may

in some seasons be found in the stem. But this one factor met in immunity to rust is not sufficient. Improvement must be carried further in other desirable characters of field and milling and baking qualities. By hybridizing with other desirable sorts, it may be possible to eventually evolve a desirable wheat combining most or all of the most desirable characters.

#### Winter Wheats

I have been keenly interested in evolving a hardy desirable selection of winter wheat since 1909, when I grew my first lot, and have since that time carried a number of selections in head-row or small plots. Quite a number of these originated on my own farm by selection and some out of the different spring wheats. Out of my Minister Red

wheats that also originated on the farm, I have a few that winter well in some seasons. These are all typical of the spring wheat type, some beardless types and carry the spring wheat type of grain. When the seed is again taken from the winter plots and sown in the spring wheat plots they head out and in most seasons ripen grain. This grain if again seeded in the late fall, usually winter again if the season is favorable to winter wheat. There is also the winter spring wheat that I have grown for several years since it originated out of a single distinct type of plant in 1910.

A number of them also winter and can be used as spring wheat. Another recent selection made four years ago—a distinct type of bearded wheat out of a smooth Australian durum wheat that appeared in the plot and showed the winter character of heavy stooling. This selection has come through safely every season as a winter wheat, when the ordinary kinds were killed out. This selection also when the seed is taken from the winter crop, when sown in the spring, heads out and in a normal season ripens sufficiently to use for seed again to sow in the fall.

Out of this lot that wintered last season a beardless form appeared. This is now planted out and in all probability will come through the present winter. I have grown practically all the known winter wheat, and I find Kanred as good as any, although it does not always come through in good shape. In two successive seasons, it behaved well and again in two successive seasons it did not. In the past season the crop was patchy, although in the spring when the snow left it was in good shape, but sometimes it goes out in the spring.

I have referred briefly to some of the selections I am growing and it shows that from time to time, natural crossing is taking place and new types are being born and these sometimes segregate into other forms and characters. While a large number may be of no real commercial value over existing varieties, some of these may eventually be found very desirable sorts.

In referring to the rust-resistant selects, no claim is made that they are rust proof when grown at large and under field condition and under different conditions that apply elsewhere. At the same time, the conclusions I have drawn are from comparative tests made with a large number of wheats, grown under equal conditions on a small area.

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do fit we have grains produced having, perhaps, the desired characters. The progeny is grown in flower pots the first season, but it will be seven or eight years before we shall know the possibilities of our new wheat.

#### The Process of Selection

As soon as the seeds of these crosses are fully formed they are collected and sown immediately, one seed to a pot in the greenhouse. Growing this first generation of plants in the greenhouse during the winter saves a year in the time necessary to produce a new strain of wheat. By the time spring of 1927 comes the plants will be reaching maturity and heads from each plant are harvested and kept separate. The heads are threshed by hand, taking precaution not to mix the seed.

The seed of each plant that was sown in the greenhouse is then planted in a separate row in the field, the seeds being spaced two inches apart in the row so that when the plants grow, notes and observations can be made on individual plants. The plant characters will be splitting up this year and all possible types of combinations of parental characters begin to appear. Seed should be gathered from only those plants that have the desired characteristics.

In 1928 seed from each individual plant selected the previous year should be grown in a single row. Notes are taken on the row as a whole and only those rows breeding true are selected. All material which is breaking up or segregating is discarded or placed under further selection next year. In 1929 seed from rows selected in 1928 is sown in rows, and again notes are taken and

only those breeding true for the characters in question are selected.

In 1930 and 1931 these lines which bred true in 1929 are grown in rows one rod long. During these two years preliminary milling, baking and yield tests are made and those strains which prove promising are selected and a yield test against standard varieties is made on 1/40th acre plots for a period of three years. If any strains prove better than the standard varieties they are at once distributed in small quantities to the farmers in the various cropping zones.

#### A Long-time Operation

The chart shows that new varieties entail much work and that it takes a long time to produce a new wheat from a cross. After the cross is made three or four years must pass before selection begins, because the cross splits into different forms and only those that have the desired combination of characters are kept for test and selection. These selections must then be tested in comparison with existing varieties to see which is best. This takes from three to five years. After a selection is proved it takes from two to three years to increase the seed for distribution to the farmers. From the time a cross is made from eight to 10 years is necessary before it is ready for distribution to farmers.

Fortunately the work on rust-proof wheat was started years ago, and the Manitoba Agricultural College and the Federal Rust Research Laboratory, there situated, have several hopeful hybrids of good pedigree which have withstood severe rust attacks and are now well under way to multiplying and increasing for general distribution.

#### Some Good Work in Progress

Prof. Weiner, Manitoba Agricultural College, has crossed Marquis with a resistant wheat, from a Mendum-Khapli cross and effects some promising resistant common wheats. Last year he started another cross between Media and Marquis. Dr. J. B. Harrington, of Saskatoon, is also making a number of studies and crosses in the hope of obtaining a rust-resistant variety.

At the recent convention of United Farmers at Brandon, Dr. D. L. Bailey, of the Dominion Rust Research Laboratory at the Manitoba Agricultural College, announced the following rust-proof crosses now under way and under the direction of Dr. C. H. Goulden. Reward is being crossed with a common wheat derived from a Marquis-Tumillo cross at Minnesota. From the Reward parent we hope to get outstanding quality, earliness, and a little resistance, while from the other parent we hope to get adequate resistance.

Garnet is being crossed with the same Marquis-Tumillo parent, to combine the resistance of the latter with the earliness of Garnet. Marquis is being crossed with a highly resistant Marquis-Emmer hybrid, produced by Mr. McFadden, in North Dakota.

Marquis is being crossed with a Minnesota hybrid, resulting from the double cross (Marquis-Tumillo)—(Marquis-Kanred).

Marquis is being crossed with Pentad, a highly resistant durum. The probability is that only a poor quality resistant common wheat useful for further crossing will result.

Marquis is being crossed with Ceres and N.D. 1656. This cross is undertaken with the hope of getting a high quality wheat of fair resistance in a reasonably short time.

With all this scientific work under way, scientists have every reason to predict with a fair degree of confidence the eventual creation of a rust-proof wheat.

#### Prince Albert Election

Contrary to expectations Premier King was not elected by acclamation in Prince Albert constituency on nomination day, February 1. Just a little while before nominations closed, D. L. Burgess, M.C., a returned soldier, farming in the community was nominated as an Independent. Mr. King addressed three meetings in the constituency and started back for Ottawa on February 1. Election day in Prince Albert will be February 15, and the expectations are that Premier King will be elected.

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# The Countrywoman

## An Adventure in Farming

**D**URING the past few weeks it has been my pleasant experience to have a short visit with two young women who are going farming in British Columbia. One comes from the East and the other from the West. Each of the two have forsaken, what would be considered by most people, a good job for their new enterprise. They plan to grow odd and rare varieties of vegetables and fruits, and to raise poultry in order to earn a livelihood. They were full of enthusiasm over their plans.

In spite of the facts that this is a largely agricultural country and that farming is rapidly becoming a business that demands not mere strength of muscle alone, it is surprising the number of people who are slightly shocked on hearing of women going farming on their own. So I have found it interesting to study the reactions of various individuals both from town and country when someone mentions these two new recruits to the industry of agriculture.

I told a farm woman about it. She was a woman who had lived many years in the country. She immediately looked greatly concerned as if she would like to give those girls some words of advice. "My dear, how foolish they are to give up good jobs to go farming in these days," was her comment. "Everyone knows what hard work is entailed and how small the results are. Other people have gone out just as full of enthusiasm and good intentions. Can't they learn lessons from those peoples' experiences?"

To a number of city people, who might rightly be described as those possessing the "rural mind," farming is something like writing a book. That is they mean to go farming some day just as many people plan to write a book sometime, which they have worked out in their own mind. The number of these people is much greater than most of us realize.

I have been among groups of city people when the subject of the two young women going farming came up. A few were skeptical of the length of time it would take them to be satisfied to come back seeking a position in some city office. Others listened with a certain wistfulness in their manner. A few were almost frankly envious of the courage of the young women in breaking away from the business world. That attitude was perhaps well expressed by one man who said: "I don't wonder at them going. It is the eternal grind of business that gets one these days. I could sacrifice quite a bit just to be able to come and go as I please."

I have sometimes wondered why a greater number of daughters of farm people do not go farming "on their own" rather than crowd into cities and take jobs, for which they are sometimes not by temperament suited. I wish I might have the opportunity of receiving letters from farm women and girls on this subject.

## Diversified Friendship

Has it ever occurred to you that there are friends and friends? There are friends you tell your joys to; friends to whom you tell your sorrows, and friends to tell your plans to; friends you keep silent with and friends who give you inspiration and encouragement.

Some of us like to think that all these things can be found in the same friend. Then because we are disappointed in one small particular, we cast aside all the other good qualities of our friend and decide that we need his or her society no longer.

Now that is a very unjust thing to do. How many of us have the egotism to think that we ourselves can be a complete friend to any other human being? We may love some other person very dearly and be willing to make any sacrifice that will help this friend to be happy and get along in the world, but this doesn't prove that we are all-in-all to this other person; no, not by any manner of means! Friend-

ship, to be genuine, must be a generous thing. No matter how much we yearn towards another person, we must accept the fact that we can't be everything to any human being any more than some one else can be everything to us.

Let us borrow a little idea from agriculture. We have all heard the term diversified farming applied to the practice of raising many different crops instead of depending on just one. The idea is good. Diversified friendship is a good idea also.

Let us not depend too much on any one friend, but cling to the good things we find in all our friends. It isn't wise to put too great a strain on any friendship, because, for when all is said and done, everybody must work out his own salvation. There come times when every human being must stand on his or her own particular feet and face life as it is, without any help from anybody. The only help at such times comes from your understanding and faith in a wiser intelligence than that possessed by any frail human being.

So, do not expect too much of your friends. Rather accept them as they are and be glad they are different from each other and different from you. What we all need is more tolerance, more generosity and less fear. Then we can let our friends express an opinion or make a decision without rising up in indignation and overturning all the kind and lovely things we have shared with them.

Let us be more thrifty of our friendships. Let us not tax them too heavily. If it is easier to tell our trials to one and our successes to another, why, do so and don't worry about it. If one friend is good company when you want to discuss the world's great happenings and another is good company when you want to lie back and just keep still for the sheer comfort of it, why, love them both! There is no disloyalty in going to different people for different things.

The only disloyalty is or consists in making your friends afraid to be their real selves, and in expecting of them more than you can give.—Marilla R. Whitmore.

## Making Mealtime Pleasant

Mealtime on the farm may be a most trying time for the busy mother who has several children too small to wait on themselves. She is kept so busy

attending to the requirements of the family's appetite that she is very apt to find the teaching of table manners a burden.

Too many verbal corrections give an impression of nagging, and she knows that mealtime should be a pleasant one for the sake of digestion. She may deem it wise to overlook mistakes often rather than to embarrass a child and spoil the enjoyment of its meal.

The mother who realizes that her children are getting beyond her control at mealtime, that they are noisy and careless, should take stock by herself some afternoon. By a little careful planning, she can with more ease than she suspects, make mealtime one that the whole family will look forward to with pleasure.

Children like novelty. Contests even of a very simple type are popular with them. It does not require an inventive genius to think up things to do that will keep the children interested in being good. One of the effective ways of teaching neatness is to supply each child with a doily to go under his or her dinner plate. Another is to supply each girl with an apron and each boy with a table napkin. The small child, of course, will wear a bib. These can be made of any material, flour-sacking or sugar-sacking material, with a colored binding are alright for everyday. A different color can be provided for each child. If the sets of aprons and napkins are made without the child's knowledge, and be presented to him or her with an impressive little speech by the mother, they may become very effective aids to tidiness at the table.

The mother who can manage to tell a story at meal hour will find that mealtime can be made quite pleasant. My mother used to tell us an installment of a serial story from a weekly paper we got. A doctor of my acquaintance, tells his children a joke every day at noon.

Another thing that appeals to children is having a record of their doings on paper. Have a report card for every child. At the end of the week the child with the best report card may be given some special treat, such as a small iced cake, an individual pie. The children should be rewarded for good behavior. That is far more effective than to be continually reminding them of their faults or drawing attention to things done wrongly. Do not let the children think that you have lost interest in them and their reports.—Maud Newcomb.

## Reason for Name

For a long time the locomotive has been called an "Iron Horse," but few people know who first gave it that name. Away back in the "sixties" there lived a fierce and war-like Sioux chief, named Sitting Bull, who did all in his power to prevent the "pale-faces" from invading the country which he considered to be the red man's by right of birth. Together with Red Cloud and other war chiefs he led the Sioux in numerous attempts to stop the progress of the Central Pacific Railroad in the States. Once when talking to William F. Cody, better known as Buffalo Bill, Sitting Bull said: "The white man has taken most of our land. He has destroyed or driven away the game that was our meat. In 1868 he arranged to build through the Indians' land a road on which ran iron horses that ate wood and breathed fire and smoke. The iron horse brought from the east men and women who took the land from the Indians and drove out the game."

The chief used this apt metaphor because the speediest thing he knew was a horse. On his faithful steed he rode over the plains, galloped after buffalo, or escaped from his foes, so he naturally called the huge monster that travelled on rails, the Iron Horse.

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by the Woodnorth U.F.W.M. shows that the 18 members raised \$636.30 during the year. The greater part of their receipts were realized from the proceeds of social evenings, membership dues and picnic donations. Money was expended during the year to assist the Institute for the Blind, to purchase an Honor Roll, pay delegates' expenses to the annual convention, forward the picnic, dues to Central and an orchestra for the social evenings. The auditor, Mrs. J. P. Richardson, certifies that this local still has \$139.89 on hand. During the year, an active educational program has been carried on. At the 13 meetings the women have been busily engaged in community work, helping the needy, sending flowers to the sick, looking after the cemetery, caring for the library, marketing their eggs and poultry through the co-operative service, encouraging the attendance of children at the Virden Clinic, and providing the children with a picnic. Mrs. D. Smith is the president of this progressive local for 1926, and Mrs. W. Hill, the secretary.

In reply to the question: "What you consider the best work your local has done this year?" the Giroux U.F.W.M. state in their annual report that they bought material and made comforters for a family who lost their

home by fire in the winter. Other welfare work that has engaged the attention of this local was the Children's Aid Society, to whom they sent \$15, and the Widows and Orphans of the G.W.V.A., to whom \$27.50 was donated. Fifteen meetings were held during the year with a splendid average attendance, and \$130.91 was raised by the members. The officers for the coming year are Mrs. E. M. Duckworth, president; Mrs. Sendall, vice-president and Miss E. E. Rankin, secretary.

The Sapton Junior U.F.M. have forwarded dues for 28 members to the Central office. The live workers of this local are endeavoring to carry out their enterprising program in all faithfulness. On November 14 they met for a dance, and \$14.70 was added to their treasury as a result. The cost of music, however, is rather high, having to pay out \$7.30 for the evening's entertainment. On the Friday following, a debate was held on: "Resolved, that high tariff is better than low tariff." This took the form of an informal discussion, and the negative side received the favorable support of the members. On the 27th they held a surprise night. This was prepared by the program committee who arranged as many tickets as there were guests, and on each ticket asked a question regarding some farm problem, or on some subject familiar to the members. When all were seated the tickets were distributed and the

guests given five minutes to prepare an answer to the question. Then the chairman called on them, one by one, and each spoke from three to five minutes on his particular subject. As some were required to tell jokes, the evening passed merrily away, and finally ended in community singing and games. F. T. Floyd, provincial apiarist, visited this local on December 4, and gave a most educative and enjoyable lecture on Beekeeping. The secretary reports the Extension Service as being of great help to the young people. The following meeting was addressed by Mr. Goral, who gave a lecture on The Value of Birds to Agriculture. This was followed by a short debate on City vs. Country Life.

Manson U.F.W.M., with 19 members, raised \$186.19 during the year. Eleven meetings were held, with an average attendance of 14, and at these the members discussed gardening, kitchen conveniences and all subjects applicable to home life. Flour and feed, apples, twine, fence posts and wood, were purchased co-operatively. The women sent donations to the Children's Aid, the Tribune Stocking Fund, and contributed liberally to social and moral reform organizations. They consider the best work that they have done has been care of the cemetery and remembering the sick in their district. Mrs. H. Poole has been appointed president for the coming year, and Mrs. L. Markey, secretary.

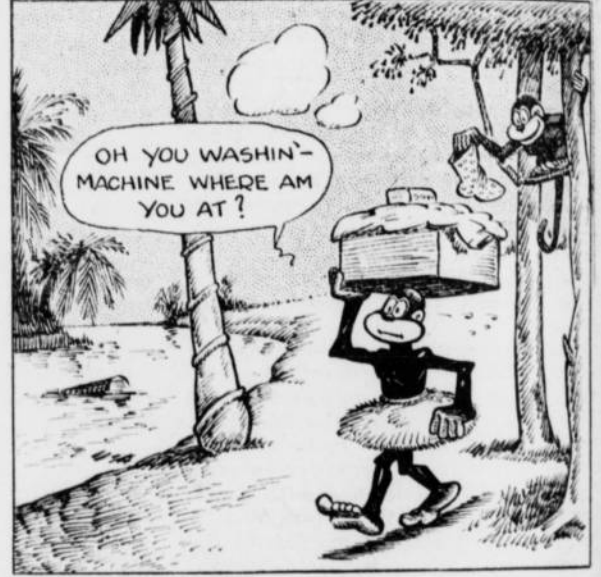
## THE ADVENTURES OF DICKY DARE



**B**IMBO is in trouble. Dicky Dare is getting after him because the clothes have spots of grease on them. Poor Bimbo really worked hard to have them clean and white. He scrubbed and scrubbed and tramped them in the river with his feet till the color was pretty nearly all washed out of his fingers and toes as you can see. For this innocent little fellow isn't what you would call fast black.



**B**IMBO tried to explain that the grease from the aeroplane was awfully hard to get out, but Dicky wouldn't listen to him. The clothes had to be clean and that was the end of the argument. See the funny look in Stumpy's face. It looks very much to me as though he had made a mistake in swallowing that tripe-eating woggle bug, and it was making him feel very woozy inside.



**S**O along goes Bimbo with the heavy clothes box on his head, feeling just as bad as he can feel, down to the banks of the big, broad, bubbly, blue-black Kazooba River, wondering how he is going to rub off the spots that wouldn't come out before. If he could only get some of that sugary-looking powder which his mammy used to use that goes fizz, fizz, fizz, and eats up the dirt without making a single hole in the clothes.



**A**L of a sudden he came across Scissor-Bill, the crocodile, fast asleep, tethered to a chiclet tree. And Bimbo looked at Scissor-Bill's horny old skin all gathered up in ridges like the sides of a concertina and an idea came into his head. He gave a whoop of delight that made Scissor-Bill jump in his sleep and shake the tree till the chiclets came falling down like hail. But the tie rope held fast and the crocodile settled down again.



**C**AN you guess what Bimbo's big idea was? Well, anyway, Scissor-Bill was pretty tame by now, and pretty soon he and Bimbo got down to business. Dicky and Stumpy were out hunting for a rabbit or a poolu-poolu bird—you know the kind that make the nice chicken pies, when they heard the strangest noise! Might have been the grunting of a hippopotamus. Dicky is going to find out.



**T**HIS is what Dicky and Stumpy came across. Bimbo is humming a happy little coon song and scrubbing away as though his life depended on it. He isn't hurting Scissor-Bill the least little bit, but the old squealer is shedding tears because he thinks the soap will fade his glisteny green-gold complexion. Once in a while he lashes his tail like a cat and wets the clothes for Bimbo to keep on scrubbing.



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By J. Edw. Tuft



## Taming Old Jayhawk!

Old Jayhawk was the wildest cat when first he came along, he was as timid as a rat, alert, and scared, and strong! I glimpsed him first out by the shed, his fur was rough and coarse, his eyes gleamed fiercely in his head with challenge and with force. He shot a fiery look at me then dashed away to hide, raced madly up an oaken tree without a chart or guide. "That cat is what I call a prize," I told myself that day. "I like the ginger in his eyes, I like his manly way! If I can tame that mammoth beast I know I'll have a chum! Hey, pussy, here's a dandy feast, come kitty, pussy, come!" It took long days, yes weeks, I think, before he'd venture nigh to eat a bite or take a drink if I was standing by, but slowly, slowly, I prevailed, until one summer day, when I approached the rascal failed to dodge or dart away. Then things went fast, he climbed my knee and rubbed against my cheek, as tame a cat as one could see, affectionate and meek! His case is plain—scared in his youth by some gent crude and mean; someone without a heart in truth, who wore a scowl, I ween. The cat, of course, said to himself, "All men I must escape, or I shall go upon the shelf perhaps with throat agape!" "All men!"—so when he came to me, of course, I had a chore to coax him up on to my knee, to pet and win him o'er! Ding-bust the man, he must be blind, who frightens cats or boys, who shakes their faith in human kind, and stuns his hopes and joys!



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issued by the Department of Agricul-  
ture at Ottawa. In order to prevent  
the absorption of gasoline flavor by  
cream all possibility of the entrance of  
fumes from the engine exhaust into the  
separator must be avoided. This can be  
done by having a tight connection be-  
tween the engine and exhaust pipe, and  
by directing the pipe through the roof  
instead of through the wall, thereby  
making certain that the fumes will be  
blown away from the cream no matter  
what the direction of the wind. There

should be a tight wooden partition be-  
tween the separator and the engine and,  
if possible, the separator should be be-  
tween the direction of the most pre-  
valent winds and the engine. The  
operator should take great care to avoid  
carrying gasoline odours on his hands  
and clothing, and gasoline should never  
be placed in a cream can, milk pail, or  
other dairying utensil.

## Co-operators Report on Russia

The world is beginning to find out  
the facts about Soviet Russia. Skep-  
tical alike of glowing accounts by  
partisan friends and bitter denuncia-  
tions by enemies, trade unions, co-  
operative societies and other workers'  
bodies in Europe, are now sending dele-  
gations to Russia to study at first hand  
economic and social conditions in the  
huge land which occupies half of  
Europe. The latest delegation, and  
one which undertook the trip primarily  
for business reasons, was dispatched  
by the English Co-operative Wholesale  
Society. It was interested, not in  
spreading propaganda either favor-  
able or hostile to the Soviet regime,  
but in ascertaining the facts regarding  
the Russian co-operative movement  
and the government's attitude toward  
it.

The British co-operators found in  
Russia a tremendously successful co-  
operative structure which had grown  
from 1,800,000 members in 1913, to a  
present membership of more than 10,  
000,000. They found that of the three  
trading systems in vogue in Russia—the  
state, the co-operative and the pri-  
vate—co-operative trading was the  
leader in many communities, and may  
eventually supplant both governmental  
and private trading.

The British mission was enthusiastic  
in describing the economic progress in  
Russia since the days of the Revolu-  
tion. They report that although Mos-  
cow is not one of the brightest cities in  
Europe, in every direction, striking pro-  
gress had been made in the last four  
years. The mission made closer bonds  
of communication between the great  
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tive and the British Co-operative  
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sold all my sons and had orders for  
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and promises to sell some more of my  
sons through The Guide soon. He  
says it sure pays to keep good birds  
when you advertise in the right paper  
—'Doc' Scaife.



# The Farmers' Market

Office of the United Grain Growers Limited, Winnipeg, Manitoba, February 6, 1926.

**WHEAT**—There appears to be underlying strength in this market, for despite comparative declines in British and American wheat futures, Canadian wheat has lost little of its advance of the past week, and while the market has had its dips they have invariably been short lived, and short sellers find themselves reaching for wheat occasionally and forcing the market up. It is very apparent that export business by the Eastern route has been very light, and stocks of wheat at the lakeheads are not moving out very freely. The action of the futures market appears to indicate however that though stocks may be heavy in both terminal and interior elevators, whoever owns it either needs it or is not attracted any by \$1.60 a bushel. It is possible, altogether probable, that a large percentage of it, never will come on to the market again, being sold overseas, and is waiting pending the opening of navigation. It is evident that stocks in Britain are very small and while importers are taking Argentine and Australian wheat in fair quantities these crops are short and of poor quality. There appears to be nothing bearish in the wheat situation, but the scenery at the head of the lakes and the price.

**OATS**—Now they are different. No one seems to be short of horsefeed. Oats are fairly plentiful, and the price of corn in the U.S. appears to indicate that there is no shortage of that, which also reflects on the price of oats. There is a fair all-rail business in odd cars, but it is a long while since any quantity of oats was bought here for export and the market generally is very dull.

**BARLEY**—Is probably the cheapest grainstuff available on this market. Stocks are fairly heavy and appear to be unwanted just now. There is a fair trade passing in the lower grades, but top grade barley is draggy as it has been since last fall.

**FLAX**—Steady, dull market, not much interest here. Buyers just taking odd cars as offered and letting it go at that.

## WINNIPEG FUTURES

Feb. 1 to Feb. 6, inclusive.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Week Ago	Year Ago
Wheat—								
May 159	161	162	160	161	159	159	159	198
July 158	160	161	159	160	158	158	158	194
Oct. 139	140	141	139	140	139	140	140	149
Oats—								
May 49	49	49	49	48	48	49	49	69
July 50	50	50	49	49	49	50	50	70
Oct. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63
Barley—								
May 64	64	64	63	63	63	64	64	102
July 65	65	65	65	64	64	65	65	101
Oct. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	87
Flax—								
May 216	217	218	216	216	214	216	216	271
July 218	218	219	218	218	217	217	217	271
Oct. 211	211	211	209	210	210	211	211	240
Rye—								
May 105	106	107	105	105	104	106	106	167
July 105	106	107	105	105	104	106	106	165
Oct. 97	98	100	99	100	99	97	97	..

## CASH WHEAT

Feb. 1 to 6, inclusive.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Week Ago	Year Ago
1 N ..	159	160	161	160	160	158	159	196
2 N ..	152	154	155	154	154	153	152	190
3 N ..	147	149	150	148	149	147	147	185
4 ..	140	142	143	142	142	140	140	174
5 ..	131	133	134	132	133	131	131	168
6 ..	113	114	115	114	113	113	113	156
Feed	93	94	95	94	93	93	93	130

## LIVERPOOL CASH PRICES

Liverpool market closed February 5, as follows: March, 1½d lower at 12s 0½d; May, 1½d lower at 11s 10½d per 100 lbs. Exchange, Canadian funds, quoted ½c higher at \$4.85½. Worked out in bushels and Canadian currency, Liverpool close was: March \$1.75½, May \$1.72½.

## MINNEAPOLIS CASH PRICES

Spring wheat—No. 1 dark northern, \$1.74½ to \$1.83½; No. 1 northern, \$1.70½ to \$1.73½; No. 2 dark northern, \$1.67½ to \$1.80½; No. 2 northern, \$1.67½ to \$1.71½; No. 3 dark northern, \$1.58½ to \$1.77½; No. 3 northern, \$1.58½ to \$1.68½. Montana—No. 1 dark hard, \$1.70½ to \$1.86½; No. 1 hard, \$1.70½ to \$1.79½. Minnesota and South Dakota—No. 1 dark hard, \$1.69½ to \$1.72½; No. 1 hard, \$1.69½ to \$1.71½. No. 1 amber durum, \$1.46 to \$1.56; No. 1 durum, \$1.41 to \$1.49; No. 2 amber durum, \$1.42 to \$1.54; No. 2 durum, \$1.40 to \$1.47; No. 3 amber durum, \$1.39 to \$1.51; No. 3 durum, \$1.38 to \$1.45. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 7½c to 77c. Oats—No. 3 white oats, 38½c to 38¾c. Barley, 63c to 65c. Rye, No. 2, 97½c to 99½c. Flax, \$2.44½ to \$2.47½.

## SOUTH ST. PAUL LIVESTOCK

Cattle—1,400. Market: Slow at week's uneven decline. Bulk prices follow: Beef steers and yearlings, \$7.50 to \$8.25; cows and heifers, \$4.50 to \$7.00; canners and cutters, \$3.75 to \$4.25; bologna bulls, \$5.50 to \$5.75; feeder and stocker steers, \$6.50 to \$7.00.

## BRITISH BACON MARKET

Canadian baled bacon 106s to 118s per 112 lbs. (23c to 25½c per lb.), boxes 100s to 114s (21½c to 24½c). American 98s to

102s (21½c to 22½c). Irish 114s to 136s (24½c to 29½c). Danish 112s to 123s (24½c to 26½c). The market was slow throughout the week, especially on heavy fat sides. Arrivals were heavier. Danish killings estimated at 63,000 head.

## WINNIPEG LIVESTOCK

United Livestock Growers Limited report as follows for the week ending February 5, 1926.

Receipts this week: Cattle, 4,881; hogs, 14,542; sheep, 472. Last week: Cattle, 6,488; hogs, 8,912; sheep, 448.

Cattle receipts on this market during the past week have slowed up very considerably, and the result is that while the market has not yet fully recovered from last week's low levels, at the same time it is fully 25c better on most grades. A continuation of light receipts is almost sure to result in a more active trade next week, and we anticipate prices very shortly again making the same high levels of two weeks ago. At the present time best butcher and export steers are making from \$6.75 to \$7.00, with a few odd ones a shade higher. Best butcher cows \$4.50, a few odd ones \$4.75; medium to good kinds from \$3.75 to \$4.25. Choice butcher heifers \$5.75 to \$6.00, with the fair to good kinds at from \$4.25 to \$5.50. Good quality light weight stocker steers also choice feeders continue in good demand at what look to us like very high prices as compared with butcher cattle. Handy-weight veal calves have a top of about \$8.50, heavy calves from \$3.50 to \$5.25.

The hog market continues quite strong, thick smooths at time of writing selling at \$13.25 with a premium of 10 per cent. on select bacons. Lights and feeders are selling right up to thick smooth price with very few available.

Sheep and lamb receipts are hardly sufficient to constitute a market. What few good lambs there are sell at around \$11.50, fair to good sheep from \$5.00 to \$7.00.

Shippers from Saskatchewan and Alberta should bring health certificates covering cattle shipments. This is very important.

The following summary shows the prevailing prices at present:

Choice export steers .....	\$6.75 to \$7.25
Prime butcher steers .....	6.50 to 7.00
Good to choice steers .....	5.50 to 6.00
Medium to good steers .....	5.00 to 5.50
Common steers .....	3.00 to 3.50
Choice feeder steers, fleshy .....	5.50 to 6.00
Medium feeders .....	4.50 to 4.75
Common feeder steers .....	3.00 to 4.00
Good stocker steers .....	4.50 to 5.00
Medium stockers .....	3.75 to 4.25
Common stockers .....	3.00 to 3.50
Choice butcher heifers .....	5.50 to 6.00
Fair to good heifers .....	4.50 to 5.50
Medium heifers .....	3.50 to 4.00
Stock heifers .....	3.25 to 3.75
Choice butcher cows .....	4.00 to 4.75
Fair to good cows .....	3.50 to 4.00
Cutter cows .....	2.50 to 2.75
Bred stock cows .....	2.75 to 3.50
Canner cows .....	1.50 to 2.50
Choice springers .....	5.00 to 6.00
Common springers .....	2.00 to 2.50
Choice light veal calves .....	7.00 to 8.50
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Common calves .....	3.00 to 3.50
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## BRITISH CATTLE MARKET

There were 570 Canadian cattle sold at Glasgow. A very few extra choice sold from 11½c to 12c per lb., alive. Good quality made from 10c to 11c, and others including western cattle down to 8½c. Demand was very weak. Irish sales amounted to 607. Superfine stall-feds sold from 11c to 11½c, good quality from 10c to 10½c, and other grades down to 8½c. Scotch baby beef, 14½c to 15c, prime quality medium weights 12½c to 13½c, plain heavies 11½c to 12c. The offerings of Scotch cattle increased rapidly and demand was weakened as a result.

Birkenhead sold 1,050 Canadians at from 18c to 20c for fat steers, 13½c to 15½c for cows and from 12½c to 14½c for bulls. All quotations are in sink (dressed weight including offal). There were also 4,300 Irish cattle offered from 17½c to 20½c.

London offered 200 Canadian dressed sides. Medium to good quality sold from 17c to 18c with exceptionally choice sides up to a top of 19c. Demand was slow.

## EGGS AND POULTRY

WINNIPEG—Eggs: Receipts for the week ending January 30, were 1,772 cases as against 1,396 cases for the previous week. The market for fresh is easy under the increasing receipts. Prices to country points extras 35c, firsts 30c, seconds 20c. Jobbing extras 41c, firsts 35c to 38c, seconds 25c to 28c. Poultry: Quiet. Fowl 7c to 14c, roosters 6c, ducks 10c, geese 8c, turkeys 13c to 20c.

SASKATCHEWAN—Eggs: Production of fresh eggs about 300 per cent. over corresponding period last year, and equal to that of March in normal years with some surplus of fresh over current requirements reported at some points particularly Regina. Wholesalers offering to country points extras 27c to 30c, firsts 25c to 27c, seconds 20c, cases included. Poultry: Market very quiet, no change in prices.

CALGARY—Eggs: Mild weather. Egg market steady under ample fresh receipts. Consumptive demand improving. Storage stocks not moving satisfactorily.

EDMONTON—Eggs: Egg market steady under lighter receipts and increased consumption. Surplus stock is clearing. Dealers quoting country shippers, extras 28c, firsts 25c, seconds 20c. Jobbing extras 40c, firsts 35c, seconds 30c. Storage selling slow but only limited stocks being carried. Poultry: Unchanged.

## With These Few Remarks

Parson Johnson—"De choir will now sing, 'I'm Glad Salvation's Free,' while Deacon Ketcham passes de hat. De congregation will please 'member, while salvation am free, we hab to pay de choir foh singin' about it. All please contribute accordin' to yo' means an' not yo' meanness."—Boston Transcript.

## Cash Prices at Fort William and Port Arthur February 1 to February 6, inclusive

Date	2 CW	3 CW	OATS Ex Fd	1 Fd	2 1/4	3 CW	BARLEY 1 CW	Rej.	Fd.	1 NW	FLAX 2 CW	3 CW	RYE 2 CW
Feb. 1 .....	47	43	43	41	38	61	56	53	52	210	205	191	101
2 .....	47	43	43	41	38	60	55	52	51	211	206	192	102
3 .....	47	43	43	41	38	60	55	52	51	212	207	193	103
4 .....	47	42	42	40	37	60	55	52	51	210	205	191	100
5 .....	46	42	42	40	37	60	55	52	51	210	206	191	101
6 .....	46	42	42	40	37	59	54	51	50	208	204	189	99
Week Ago .....	47	43	43	41	38	61	56	53	52	210	205	191	101
Year Ago .....	67	62	62	60	54	99	93	86	84	263	259	252	161

## Present Livestock Prices Will Boost Sales

There are many farmers and breeders that have more stock than they can carry over. Right now they can sell it profitably. A strong demand has been created by three factors, namely, the higher prices that have prevailed during the last twelve months; the increased prosperity due to good crops, and the prospects of continued good prices for livestock.

## Market Your Surplus at Low Cost

To reach farmers who are considering buying, a "Little Guide Ad." is the most economical and profitable method. It produces enquiries of the kind that mean business and does it quickly. The largest breeders, as well as farmers with only a few head to sell, have found they can depend on The Guide. It produces results when all other mediums fail.

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The fact that The Guide carries more classified ads. than all other farm journals in Western Canada put together brings a greater number of prospective buyers to this market. The cost is small (only a few cents a word). This is the best time of the year. In a few weeks farmers will be busy preparing for seeding, so we suggest that you send us your ad. today.

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## Thousands Made Well By This Scientific Treatment

Yes, thousands of men and women have been brought back to health—their piles healed by this scientific internal combination treatment. What better evidence can you ask than the enthusiastic testimonials reproduced in this announcement? And these are but a handful of the expressions

of thanks we receive daily from former sufferers.

We know how discouraged you have become—how very doubtful you feel as to whether or not anything will do you any permanent good. That's exactly why this free trial offer is made. We want to prove to you how quickly you can banish that terrible aching, itching, bleeding affliction once the PROPER treatment is administered.

## Salves, Ointments, Dilators —All Have Failed— This Is Why

Piles in themselves are the result of some trouble INSIDE and far more deeply rooted than any salve, ointment or dilator can ever reach. At best, these are merely makeshift relief. True, they soothe—they end the discomfort temporarily. But just when you think you have benefited, back comes the pain and discomfort, the hours, days and weeks of agony.

## Don't Risk the Operating Table—Try This Pleasant, Painless Way

Even now, you may have reached that stage of desperation that induces some sufferers to submit to the knife. Don't

consider it. Why expose yourself to the danger of an operation when this scientific internal treatment may save you the risk and expense?

You just take the tablets as directed and, until their effect is fully established, you use a soothing ointment and an effective bowel regulator. That's all there is to the Page Internal Tablet Combination Treatment. But, simple as it appears, you will soon find that this method corrects the cause of the trouble and when this is accomplished YOUR PILES DISAPPEAR. Prove it by actual test.

## Mail This Coupon Before You Forget

Accept this FREE offer. You have absolutely nothing to risk. You have everything to gain by making the test. Results produced in thousands of cases show conclusively that the Page Internal Tablet Combination Treatment is not a mere theory. It is a demonstrated success. It drives away Piles and it does this quickly, pleasantly, SURELY. If you could only talk to any one of the thousands who have accepted this same offer you would realize that here at last is what you have hoped for. But you, too, can test it FREE. The coupon is handy. Clip and mail it today—RIGHT NOW!

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## Calls It a "Sure Shot"

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R. No. 2, Box 74  
Algoma, Wisc.

With pleasure I wish to let you know that I have been suffering with Piles for 13 years, have been using all kinds of salves, but found no relief, so have used one Large and Small Size Treatment received last Spring and now I find myself cured. Thanks very much. I shall recommend your treatment to any sufferer of piles as it is a sure cure.

Yours truly,

LOUIS BATHKE

## Piles Gone After 30 Years

Mr. E. R. Page.

Danville, Va.  
R. R. No. 3, Box 131.

Dear Sir:—I will write you a few lines to let you know that I am well of the piles. I am sure they are never coming back. I feel O. K. now. I had the piles for over 30 years. Since I took your treatment and freed myself from them I have gained 20 pounds, so you can see I am benefited very much. I recommend your remedy to all who suffer from piles.

Very respectfully,

E. ELMORE

## Rid of Fistula

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I would like to tell the world what a wonderful treatment you have for the Piles. I am fully convinced that you can relieve any case of piles no matter how long standing it is. I have suffered for thirty years, and had a fistula along with the Piles, but now I am well. I am thanking you a thousand times for your wonderful treatment.

MRS. LYDIA HUNTER

## Life Is Worth Living

The E. R. Page Co.,  
Marshall, Mich.

630 Penn Ave., Turtle Creek, Pa.  
Pile Treatment has done for me exactly what it has done for many others. It has proved for itself just what you claim it to be. I am now free from my piles and life is worth living. As long as I live I will recommend your E. R. Page Treatment and tell others what it has done for me and that it will do the same for them.

EMIL CHAMBERLAIN

## Endured Protruding Piles

Mr. E. R. Page,  
Box 102, Forest City, Pa.

Dear Sir:—I have had no trouble since taking your treatment. Am as well as I ever was in that respect; in fact your treatment accomplished wonders for me. I suffered with protruding piles for 25 years and one of your small treatments was all that I needed to make me well. I am only too glad to let you publish my name if it will be of help to some poor sufferer.

Respectfully yours,

CURTIS C. OLIVER

## "I Am Glad I Sent for Treatment"

R. E. No. 2, Nampa, Idaho.

Dear Mr. Page,  
I am still well and would be glad to help others if I could. I think your treatment is the finest for piles and I am entirely rid of them. I am glad I sent for your treatment, and the package seemed to be all I needed to make me well. I will always be glad to recommend your treatment.

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